SEPTEMBER 25-28, 2024



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Gila County Fair Schedule of Events

Live bands, bucking bulls and roping, FMX shows . . and Saturday's big Junior Livestock Auction: the 55th Gila County Fair has something for everyone! Highlights of the daily event schedule include:

Wednesday, Sept. 25 Miami School Day & Family Day: 8 a.m. Horse Show at Rodeo Arena, 10 a.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! at Main Stage, 10:30 a.m. Longhorn Show at Ride Hard Arena, 11 a.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! at Main Stage, 11 a.m. Dog Show at Livestock Barn, 11:30 a.m. Longhorn Show at Ride Hard Arena, 3 p.m. Fair Opens to Public, 4 p.m. Carnival Opens, 4 p.m.

FFA/4-H Creed Competition at Main Stage, 5 p.m. Shawn Eric - Magic Fun! (roaming), 5 p.m. Classic Car Show at West Lot, 5 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena. 5:30 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 6 p.m. Old Fashioned Fair Night Auction at Main Stage, 7 p.m. Gymkhana at Rodeo Arena, 7 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 8 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 8:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 9 p.m. Teen Dance (to follow auction) at Main Stage, 10 p.m. Fair Closes to Public

Ag Experience and Longhorn Shows throughout the dav

Thursday, September 26 Globe School Day & Senior Citizen Day: 10 a.m. Small Animal Show at Livestock Barn. 10 a.m. Shawn Eric -Magic Fun! (roaming), 10 a.m. Longhorn Show at Ride Hard Arena. 11 a.m. Shawn Eric - Magic Fun! (roaming), 11:30 a.m. Longhorn Show at Ride Hard Arena, 2 p.m. Open Lamb & Goat Show at Livestock Barn, 3 p.m. Fair Opens to Public, 3 p.m. Goat Show (to follow open show) at Livestock Barn, 4 p.m. Carnival Opens, 5 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 5 p.m. Lamb Show at Livestock Barn, 5 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride

Hard Arena, 5 p.m. Bike & Low Rider Show & Shine at West Lot, 5:30 p.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! (roaming), 6 p.m. Live Music – Emocion Tropical at Main Stage, 6 p.m. Swine Show at Livestock Barn, 7 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 7:30 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 8 p.m. Selena Tribute –

Aixa Fernandez at Main Stage, 8:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 10 p.m. Fair Closes to Public

Ag Experience and Longhorn Shows throughout the day

Friday, September 27 Veteran's Day: 9 a.m. Youth
Cattle Show (Open Cattle

to Follow. Round Robin to Follow) at Livestock Barn, 12 p.m. Fair Opens to Public. 3 p.m. Longhorn Show (roaming), 3 p.m. Shawn Eric - Magic Fun! (roaming), 4 p.m. Carnival Opens, 4 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot. 4:30 p.m. Shawn Eric - Magic Fun! (roaming), 4:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 5 p.m. Mud Bogs & FMX Show at Grandstand. 6 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 6 p.m. Shawn Eric - Magic Fun! (roaming), 6:30 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 7 p.m. Ranch Rodeo at Rodeo Arena, 7 p.m. Concert by John Baer at Main

Stage, 7:30 p.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! (roaming), 8 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 8:30 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 9 p.m. Concert by Hollywood Yates at Main Stage

Ag Experience and Longhorn Shows throughout the day

Saturday, September 28
Auction Day: 8 a.m. Fair
Opens to Public, 8 a.m.
Shine by the Mine Truck
Show at West Lot, 9 a.m. Rodeo Slack at Rodeo Arena,
11 a.m. Buyer's Appreciation Luncheon at Livestock
Barn, 11 a.m. Shawn Eric –
Magic Fun! (roaming), 11:30
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SCHEDULE, from page 2 a.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 12 p.m. Junior Livestock Auction at Livestock Barn, 12 p.m. Carnival Opens, 12 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 1 p.m. Longhorn Show (roaming), 2 p.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! (roaming), 3 p.m. Mutton

Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena,

3:30 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 4 p.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! (roaming), 5 p.m. Rodeo Performance at Rodeo Arena, 5 p.m. Power Elite Dance Company at Main Stage, 6 p.m. Shawn Eric – Magic Fun! (roaming), Dusk Shine by the Mine Glow Up at West Lot, 7 p.m. Demo Cross Race and FMX Show

at Grandstand, 8 p.m. Mutton Bustin' at Ride Hard Arena, 8:30 p.m. Urias Globe of Death at Entertainment Lot, 9 p.m. Concert by Ashley Wineland at Main Stage, 9 p.m. Goat Roping at Ride Hard Arena

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Gila County Fair timeline

1964 – Gila County Fairgrounds are officially established

March 7, 1966 - The Gila County Board of Supervisors appoint a 15-member County Racing Commission, with five members chosen by each County Supervisor. September 12, 1966—Gila County opens bids for the rough-grading of approximately 70,000 cubic yards of material at the Fairgrounds racetrack.

1967 – First horse races are held at the Fairgrounds

February 17, 1969 – The Gila County Board of Super-



visors approve a contract with Arizona Professional Rodeo, Inc., of Prescott, for the first annual Globe-Miami Rodeo to be held in Globe March 22 and 23, 1969.

March 3, 1969 – The Gila County Fair and Racing Commission is created by merging the Racing Commission and Fair Commission; the new committee's first chairman is Bob Boice.

May 4, 1970 – The Gila County Board of Supervisors grant permission to hold a County Fair with three divisions – in Pine September 18-19, in Young September 26 and at the Gila County Fairgrounds October 1-3.











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Fairgrounds History

The first Gila County Fair was held in 1970.

It all started when six kids – Grant Boice, Mary Boice Moreton, Frank DalMolin, Elaine Hagen McBride, Eric Treible and Jeff Mercer – wanted to begin showing steers.

This prompted Bob Boice, with the Slash S Ranch, to start the first 4-H Club in Globe, known as the Gila MonSteers, in 1964.

For many years, the Gila MonSteers kept their animals at the Globe Stockyards on Walliman Road, then owned by Buster Mounce. This was also where all the steers were shown and sold before Globe's fairgrounds were developed. For several years before there was a scale at the fairgrounds, livestock owners and 4-H'ers continued to use Mounce's scales to weigh their animals.

Then-County Supervisor Bill Bohme approached local rancher Kendrick Holder about acquiring the state land lease Holder held on what is now the fairgrounds. Holder donated 160 acres with the stipulation that it be used for agriculture, fairs, and racetracks.

Bohme, Joe and Mabel

Bassett, and volunteers from the Globe Junior Chamber of Commerce began working on the racetrack.

Bob Boice — then Gila County Fair and Racing Commission's chairman — and former Globe Mayor Bill Lewis began making improvements to the fairgrounds by adding a rodeo arena in 1968. Boice also organized the first county fairs, along with local rancher Jim Tidwell and University of Arizona Extension Service County Agent Van Wilson.

Boice was instrumental in getting the racing commission, fair committee and 4-H committee, along with Carolyn Beydler and Donna Anderson. In a June 17, 2024 letter to the Gila County Board of Supervisors, Bill Byrne, Fair and Racing Committee chairman from 1980 to 1996, wrote that Donna Anderson worked diligently to get the County Fair up and running.

The work begun more than 50 years ago to help 4-H'ers — and now Future Farmers of America (FFA) students — to humanely raise their animals and find businesses to purchase their livestock continued, then-Fair Chairman Janet Cline said in 2019. "We are happy to keep the tradition

going."

Joe Lavin became fairgrounds manager in 1969. "He and his crew kept the place running and ready for events, and he is one of the main reasons the fairgrounds was successful as he knew what to do if anything went wrong," wrote Byrne.

Gila County was unique in the early years, being the only county whose Fair and Racing Boards were run by all volunteers. Most other Arizona counties had volunteers, but the chairpersons were usually a county employee or it was a paid position.



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