

# Goshen County Two Shot Goose Calling Contest

The following rules will govern the Goshen County Two Shot Goose Calling Contest.

Contestants will have the opportunity to receive and/or review on-line the contest information and rules including a description of the contest operating parameters and the competition divisions. Only contestants who have read and have agreed to comply with the Goshen County Two Shot Goose Calling Contest rules may enter the contest. Each contestant must complete and sign an official Goshen County Two Shot Goose Calling Contest Entry form in order to be eligible to compete in the contest.

1. Contestants agree and acknowledge that they hold no one other than themselves liable for any harm or injury that may occur during or as a result of the Goshen County Goose Calling Contest and event activities.
2. The Goshen County Two Shot Goose Calling Contest is a community oriented sporting event and contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsman's like manner throughout the event. Any un-sportsman like actions or behavior will result in the contestant being disqualified and removed from the event. The Goshen County Two Shot Committee members are solely responsible for decisions regarding un-sportsman like conduct.
3. Prior to the start of each division competition, contestants will be advised to report to the contestant area (known as "the bus"). The contestants are required to remain in the "bus" area until they receive notice otherwise. The competing order for each round will be determined by the contestants drawing lots. Each successive round will progress with callbacks being half the number of contestants from the prior round. The number of callbacks is subject to the judges' discretion, i.e. tie scores, close scores, odd number of contestants, etc.
4. Each contestant will be called to the stage by his/her lot number and given the opportunity for a brief warm up, 10-12 seconds. The judges will then be advised that the contestant is ready to compete (call) for score. *Example: Contestant number 1 (pause) would you like a warm up? (Pause) then immediately after the warm up, the contestant will give a readiness nod and the emcee will alert the judges to the beginning of contestant's routine.*
5. Each caller (contestant) has a maximum of 90 seconds from his/her first note to complete his/her routine. A signal light in front of the caller will be illuminated at the 80 seconds mark and then turned off when 90 seconds have expired. If the caller is on a note after 90 seconds when the signal light is turned off then the caller will be disqualified. The contest emcee is responsible for timing each caller's routine and operating the signal light. Routine time disqualifications (if any) are solely the emcee's discretion.
6. Contestants will be judged on their abilities to operate a call within each of the categories specific to that division.
7. Each of five judges will score each caller (contestant) in each round – (70-80 points in the 1<sup>st</sup> round, 80-90 points in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round and 90-100 points in the final round). The caller's score for the round will be tabulated by discarding both the high score and low score and then adding the three remaining scores to determine the contestant's total score for the round. Callers will carry his/her scores forward to the next round. *Example: Caller #1 receives scores of 77, 79, 78, 78, and 78 in the 1<sup>st</sup> round. The high score (79) and the low score (77) are discarded and the remaining three scores are totaled,  $78+78+78=234$ . If caller #1 is called back for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round then his/her score of 234 would be carried forward and added to the score he/she earns for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round, etc. The maximum total score possible for a three round contest is 810 points (240 points for the 1<sup>st</sup> round plus 270 points for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round plus 300 points for the final round).*
8. The judges' scoring is final. All scoring questions and/or concerns must be addressed to contest coordinator who will collaborate with the judges and render a final decision. The event coordinator will insure that the contestants' names are not mentioned and that all concerns are dealt with in a fair and appropriate manner.
9. Judges will keep notes about the callers' routines and will allow the callers to approach them for their thoughts after that division competition has been completed and the results announced.
10. A copy of the scoring will be available to the contestants within each division at the conclusion of the contest.