

# Queen of Hearts Rules

Sangamon County Fair and Agricultural Association

316 West Birch Street  
New Berlin, IL 62670

Drawing Each Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

The Sangamon County Fair holds a weekly Queen of Hearts Drawing at Shepp's Bar and Grill located at 108 East Illinois Street, New Berlin. Below is an explanation of how the drawing is conducted.

## QUEEN OF HEARTS-RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. Purchase of raffle tickets implies agreement to all rules, as below.
2. The QUEEN OF HEARTS game will be run by the Sangamon County Fair Board, focused on a committee of four (4) administrators, as appointed by the Board President. The committee will be responsible to set up a commercially certified Queen of Hearts game board in a public location at Shepp's Bar and Grill. The committee will also conduct the weekly drawing and report all ticket sales to the County Fair Secretary/Treasurer. The Fair Board directors ONLY are PROHIBITED from playing the game. Prior board members, association members and spouses ARE eligible to play the game.
3. Once the Queen of Hearts is drawn, that will constitute the end of the current game/board and a new game/board will be established as set forth in these rules.
4. The Queen of Hearts game board will be displayed in the bar area at Shepp's Bar and Grill and will remain locked at all times except during the drawing.
5. To be eligible to play, you MUST be **21** years of age or older. There must be one name per ticket. The name, phone number and card number selected must be printed legibly. If the name cannot be read, you do not win. Cards will be read by two (2) fair board directors or fair association members. If you are not present, the prize amount of which you will receive is **half**, unless otherwise noted in the prizes.
  - a. The half not able to be claimed due to lack of presence will remain for the new queen of hearts game/board.
6. All raffle tickets are \$1.00 per chance, with no limit on the number of tickets that may be purchased. Tickets may be purchased immediately after the weekly drawing and up until 6:30 p.m./30 minutes prior to the week's drawing. Tickets may be purchased from any employee on duty, fair representative present or Sangamon County Fair Office (hours will be posted on door) only. All ticket purchases are FINAL and there will be NO REFUNDS.
7. The jackpot will continue to accumulate and will be updated weekly at the Bar and on the Fair Website/Facebook Page until the Queen of Hearts is drawn.
8. Drawing is set up to last a maximum of 54 drawings or until Jackpot reaches the \$500,000.00 limit listed on the Queen of Hearts Raffle License provided upon request.
  - a. If first ticket drawn does not uncover the Queen of Hearts, additional tickets will be drawn, one at a time until Queen of Hearts is revealed. The person who is named on a valid ticket drawn, must use the number on the ticket drawn. If that number is unavailable, they have the option to pick from any remaining numbers. Invalid number on ticket of non-present person will simply result in ticket being discarded and a new ticket will be drawn. Tickets will be drawn until the Queen of Hearts is uncovered, all valid

tickets drawn prior to the Queen of Hearts will receive prize money as listed below (ex: Jack, Ace, etc.). That prize money will come out of that nights total drawing amount to be awarded.

**Prizes:**

*-QUEEN OF HEARTS: 70% of the weekly tickets sold (30% remains with the Sangamon County Fair)*

*-JOKER \$100.00 (whether present or not)*

*-Face Cards and Aces \$75 (whether present or not)*

*-All other cards are \$25 (whether present or not)*

*-THE JACKPOT ROLLS IF QUEEN OF HEARTS IS NOT DRAWN EACH WEEK (up to \$500,000)*

*-IF WINNINGS ARE NOT CLAIMED WITHIN ONE WEEK OF DRAWING THEY WILL BE FORFEITED AND WILL GO BACK TO THE SANGAMON COUNTY FAIR.*

*\*\*\*The winner will be contacted the night of the drawing.\*\*\**

9. Every THURSDAY (unless otherwise posted) at 7:00 PM, a name will be drawn from the tickets purchased that week and announced three (3) times. If you show up at any time after 7 PM and your name was announced three (3) times, you will be considered as not present. The bar clock is the official clock used. On certain holidays and during the Sangamon County Fair the drawing may be moved to a different day or postponed, this will be announced at the end of the preceding drawing and posted on this board as well.
10. If your ticket is drawn and you are present, you are eligible to win the entire pot if the card number and ticket number match Queen of Hearts Card. If you are not present you will receive half of the weeks Jackpot. Once the ticket is placed in the drum that is the final card number, that card is final, you may not announce a different card (unless \$500,000 max is reached, please see rule 8a). You will then be awarded a cash prize as set forth in the current payout schedule posted. In the case of drawing the Queen of Hearts \$500.00 in cash will be immediately paid to the winner. The remainder of the prize will be paid in the form of a check as set forth in rule number 14.
11. Once a card is selected, it will be removed from play and shown face up on the board until the end of the current game/board.
12. Each week after the drawing, all tickets from that week's drawing will be removed from the Queen of Hearts drum and discarded.
13. AFTER THE QUEEN OF HEARTS IS DRAWN, A NEW GAME WILL START WITH AN UNDETERMINED AMOUNT AT THIS TIME. The amount will be determined by the Fair Board members based on previous ticket sales.
14. All eligible winning players are responsible for any and all taxes. A W-2G will be issued for prizes \$600.00 and over. As well, 25% of the winnings may be withheld and reported to the IRS, if the prize is over \$5,000.00. NO prize \$600.00 and over, will be paid either by cash, check, or combined cash and check, until form W-9 is completely filled out. A government-issued photo I.D. along with another form of I.D. (social security card, voter I.D., etc.) will be required as well. If an eligible player is unwilling or unable to provide W-9 information within four (4) weeks of winning the said prize, your prize winnings will be subject to current backup withholding percentage as set forth by the I.R.S., before any prize money will be released.
15. THE SANGAMON COUNTY FAIR AND AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION WILL BE ADMINISTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VILLAGE OF NEW BERLIN RAFFLE ORDINANCE AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (230 ILCS 15/) RAFFLES AND POKER RUNS ACT.