BUY EARLY AND SAVE ON FAIR ADMISSION AND RIDES

The annual Central Washington State Fair is still a month away but it is not too early to be thinking about saving some money on admission tickets and ride wristbands. Special discounted admission tickets and ride wristbands are on sale now online and at various locations around the Yakima Valley.

By purchasing in advance fairgoers can save up to \$5 on general Fair admission and up to \$10 on a carnival ride wristband. The wristbands are sold for \$30 (Monday-Thursday) and \$35 (Friday-Sunday) during the Fair but in advance of the Fair they sell for \$25. A wristband gets a rider on the Butler Amusement carnival rides as many times as they want for one day.

"These are the best prices of the year," said Fair president Greg Stewart. "People who want to save on Fair admission and rides, buying in advance is the way to go."

General admission during the Fair is \$13 for adults (ages 13-64) on weekdays, \$15 on weekends, but purchased in advance the GA tickets are \$10. Seniors 65 plus are \$7 in advance, \$10 during the Fair. And kids 6-12 years old are \$7 in advance, \$8 during the Fair. Children 5 and under are free.

All branches of Banner Bank, all Wray's IGA Food Stores (Southgate, Chalet Place, Meadowbrook), Fiesta Foods in Sunnyside and the Box Office at State Fair Park will be selling Fair admission tickets and carnival wristband vouchers in advance of the Fair. Carnival wristband vouchers are also available at the following locations: AM/PM (40th & Fruitvale), Fiesta Foods, Banner Bank, Wray's IGA Food Stores and Coastal Farm & Ranch.

Admission tickets can be purchased online or charge by phone this year, in advance of the Fair. Call 800.325.7328 to order by phone, go to www.ticketswest.com to purchase online, or to www.fairfun.com for more information.

The discounted wristbands and general admission tickets are on sale now and will be on sale through Thursday, September 22. This year's Central Washington State Fair runs Friday, September 23 through Sunday, October 2 in Yakima.

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