

Western PA Furry Weekend (W.P.A.F.W) & Pennsylvania Anthropomorphics West (P.A.W.)

May 12, 2021

To All our Attendees and Patrons,

Many of you are understandably curious as to whether or not WPAFW will be held for the 2021 year and we wanted to make sure that people were informed with the planning of the event for October.

Due to the many programs that are pushing vaccines and the overall adoption rate, we're genuinely optimistic about the prospect for WPAFW happening this year. However, we've not fully committed to it happening as of this moment and we ask for patience as we monitor the overall situation as we head into June and July.

The overall nature of the pandemic has changed a great deal of policies and processes. If we are able to hold the event as planned, we want to let everyone know that the following considerations will be made:

1. Vaccination cards will be required for admission to the event. We're aware that this may seem and feel exclusionary, but we need to make sure that safety is paramount for the event in order for people to feel comfortable and safe.
2. Indoor access for food lines and main events will be adjusted to make sure social distancing is taken into account. This may require outdoor queueing for food and charity pickup and a different approach to the Super Sponsor event as well.
3. Gathering around the bar will be limited, but tables and gathering areas will be available near the bar for socially distanced congregating.
4. Masks may still be required, as per Pennsylvania guidelines, if you're among a large crowd of people.

We're very aware that this changes some of the nature of the event, but we do not intend it to be a downer or a limiting factor. We assure you that we want the event to still be as social and as fun as it always has been, but our first goal is your safety and the safety of others around you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to event@wpafw.org and/or the WPAFW Twitter @wpafw.

Again, thank you for your time and your patience. We appreciate everyone and everything that people do for the event and we look forward to seeing you in October!

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