



Crawford County 4-H News

May 2023

Dear 4-H members, parents, leaders, and friends,

We are starting to get back into the busy season so read the calendar carefully! If you have any questions about upcoming events or activities, please remember to reach out to me. Parents please be checking your emails to stay up to date on all camp and fair information.

Sincerely,

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www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/4-h/crawford/



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May 1	State 4-H/FFA Market Beef Nominations Due & DNA Postmarked Camp Registration, New family enrollment Deadline
May 13	Small Animal Weigh/Tag-In 8-10AM @ Fairgrounds
May 15	Fair Entry Opens Discovery Days Registration Ends
June 1	Horse ID Papers Due
June 5	Last Day to Order Small Livestock DNA Envelopes for State Nomination
June 5-6	Greenbush Camp
June 7-9	Discovery Days
June 12	District Favorite Foods Contest 4-6PM @ Old Iron Club in Fredonia
June 13-15	Sewing Camp @ Extension Office
June 15	State Animal Nominations Due & DNA Postmarked Commercial Heifer Nominations Due State Only Registered Breeding Heifer Papers in Exhibitors Name for State Registered Breeding Gilt Papers in Exhibitors Name for State
June 16	Area Livestock Contest
June 20	Floating on Leadership
June 26	Fair Entry Help Night 5:30pm @ Extension Office Junior Leaders Meeting 6:30pm @ Extension Office 4-H Council Meeting 7:30pm
June 27	Area Challenge Day
July 1	Registered Breeding Ewe papers in Exhibitors Name for State
July 11-13	District Livestock Judging Camp
July 12	Poultry testing 4-6PM at the Fairgrounds
July 25	Junior Leaders Make Ice Cream 8:30am-1:00pm Ice-Cream Stand Training 5pm Pre-Fair Clean Up 6-9pm
July 27	Foods Judging

Enrollment

If you have enrolled and selected “pay by check” please mail that to the state 4-H Office at this address as soon as possible. You will not be able to enter in fair until it is paid.

Kansas State 4-H Office
201 Umberger Hall
1612 Claflin Road
Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS 66506

Junior Leaders

Junior Leaders is open to all 4-H youth 13-18. The next Junior Leaders meeting will be on Monday, June 26 at 6:30 p.m.

4-H Council

The Next 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, June 26 at 7:30 p.m. Remember each club should have 2 council reps, 1 club president, and 2 adult leaders attend. If one is unable to attend then they need to find an alternate to fill in for that meeting.

Fair Entry Help Night

I will be offering a Fair Entry Help night on Monday, June 26th 5:30 pm at the Extension Office. If you would like help or guidance through the process please bring your computer or iPad and I would be happy to help you. FairEntry opens on **May 15 and closes on July 15.**

Poultry Owners

Poultry Testing will be on **July 12 4-6 p.m.** at the fairgrounds. Remember that this is required in order to exhibit at the fair.

Camps!

Discovery Days

Discovery Days will be held June 7-9 in Manhattan. Registration is open now and will close **May 15. 1st.**

Rock Springs Camp 2023

To learn more about the pricing, and schedule, and to sign up go to

<https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/>

Greenbush Camp

Greenbush camp on June 5 & 6, 2023. This camp is for youth 7-8 years old. Sign up materials can be found on our website. The deadline to sign up is **May 1st.** Parents I will be sending you more information via email closer to the time.

Floating on Leadership

Junior Leader's date for Floating on leadership is June 20, 2023. I will be communicating with you closer to the time with the leave schedule.

Favorite Foods Contest

The Favorite Foods Contest encourages 4-H'ers to learn about meal planning, food preparation, and presentation. A favorite food is chosen, a menu is planned with the food, and the table decor is coordinated. Foods chosen may be main courses, desserts, snacks, breads, casseroles, or others. Youth present their table to the judge and answer questions about nutritional value, cooking skills, table setting, etc. Contact your agent for more information and to sign up! Contest June 1, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Fredonia Old Iron Club.

Crawford County 2023 Fair Book!

Below you will find the link to the website where you will find the 2023 Crawford County Fair Book. In the online version, all updates have been made in **RED**. Please pay close attention to the schedule and location of events as some may have changed this year. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out. **It is your responsibility to make sure you have read all sections of the fair book.**

Fair Entry will open up on May 15 and will close on **July 15th**

Rabbit Project Meeting

Rabbit project meeting planned for the year! This is open to all youth who are interested in the Rabbit project. Each meeting will help to address what the youth should be working on with their project during that time of year. You do not have to bring your animals to the meetings.

Dates and Times (Watch the newsletter in the event of a date change.)

February 11 at the Extension Office 9-11 a.m.

April 15 at the Fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

May 20 at the Fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

June 17 at the Fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

July 15 at the Fairgrounds 9-11 a.m.

Small Animal Tag/weigh-in day for **MARKET GOATS, MARKET SHEEP, MARKET SWINE, AND BUCKET CALF** will be on May 13 8:00-10 a.m. at the Fairgrounds. **ALL MARKET GOATS, MARKET SHEEP, MARKET SWINE, AND BUCKET CALVES NEED TO BE TAGGED IN ON OR BEFORE THIS DAY IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO BE SHOWN AT THE FAIR.** If you are unable to attend this day you must contact me to set up a time for meet with you to tag your animals before May 13th. Do not wait until last minute in order to ensure that your animals get tagged on time.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR ANIMALS ARE CASTRATED!

Record Books

Now is the time to begin thinking about record books. This year you will be able to do those online! Recourses can be found for the forms here: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ProjectRecognition.html> Recourses for our online zbooks record keeping can be found here: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/ZBooks.html>

SPRING SHOW INFORMATION

Each year we receive lots of show fliers for all sorts of projects. You can visit <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/spring-shows/index.html> to get a listing of these events.

Shooting Sports

Archery

2023 Crawford County 4- H Archery will begin Sunday, April 16, at 3 p.m. at the Crawford County Fairgrounds, South side of the Marvin Green Bldg. Then we will meet every Sunday with the exception of holidays (Mother's Day, Memorial Day weekend,

Father's Day, etc.). The first 2 Sundays (April 16 & 23) will be for anyone new to the program and anyone who needs refreshing. Beginners MUST attend the range and safety orientation on April 16 to participate in the program. If you cannot make that meeting, please contact me about possibly making other arrangements. Equipment will be provided for beginners, PLEASE leave yours at home. The veteran archers and beginners will begin meeting on Sunday, April 30 at 3:00 pm. For more information email, text or call Dan Mosier II at danmosierii@gmail.com, 620-687-0643.

Western Heritage

A message from Brian- "There will be a training for anyone interested in becoming a certified volunteer Level I teacher/club sponsor for the Western Heritage project. The two gentlemen that trained Brian at the Rock Springs 4-H camp are conducting a training at their range near Reading, KS (Lyon County) on JUNE 17-18 which is closer than Rock Springs 4-H camp (Junction City) using their super cool and very western shooting range. They have really worked hard on this range and it is a blast to shoot on. So, if you are interested in becoming a Level I WH volunteer coordinator let me know, I have the information to get you signed up and I will be attending the training as a Level II instructor to help the guys who trained me so we can ride together if needed.

As you probably have read in several of my previous emails, the 4-H Western Heritage Project seeks to replicate and re-live frontier life from 1860-1900 including clothes, food, crafts, activities, dances, and of course period rifles, pistols, and shotguns. Half of club activities are based on adopted personas and lifestyle activities while the other half is based on club developed and designed shooting events using the period firearms. The Crawford County club (instructed and guided by me) is developing personas, we had our first rifle shoot last month, learning about and shooting pistols is coming soon in May for a combined rifle/pistol shooting event, and then shotguns will be included perhaps in June.

So, if you want to start a Western Heritage Project club in your county (traveling to Crawford County seems like a lot of trouble), then step up and this is

a great and unique opportunity to go through the Level I Instructor training course. Contact me at bacon4six@gmail.com, contact Will Morris at the CC 4-H office, or call/text me at 620-249-1088. All the best, Brian Sandford”

State Events

Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar Series

The Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar series gives Kansas 4-H'ers, Horse volunteers and parents an opportunity to gain skills and knowledge about horses and the horse industry in Kansas. Topics will include basic 4-H Horse project knowledge, horse health, and college and career readiness. Industry experts and K-State faculty will share their experience and expertise during the webinars. Webinars will be hosted live on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Please register in advance to receive the link and details to join. Webinars will be recorded and made available for those wishing to view them at a later date.

Register here: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/horse/equine-webinar-series.html>

Participants may submit questions relating to the webinar topic to klnordyke@ksu.edu until 2:00 p.m. the day of the scheduled webinar. Please include "Equine Webinar Question" in the subject line of your email. After attending the live webinar, or viewing the recording, please provide feedback through the survey link. This helps Kansas 4-H to plan and improve future webinars.

Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series

Kansas 4-H'ers can learn more about the livestock industry through the Kansas 4-H Animal Science Webinar Series. The Animal Science Webinar Series is designed to give Kansas 4-H'ers an opportunity to learn more about the livestock industry, career opportunities, and good animal husbandry practices. Webinars will be hosted live on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Register in advance at <https://www.kansas4-h.org/projects/animal-science/animal-science-webinar-series.html> to receive an email with the link to join. Webinars will

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Updates to Kansas 4-H Horse Project

Beginning with the 2023 4-H Program Year Kansas 4-H Horse Project Members, who are currently enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project are eligible to compete at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show if:

- 1.) The horse is properly identified for the Kansas 4-H Horse Project either by a) registering the horse with a breed association in the 4-H'ers or an immediate family member's name by June 1 of the current 4-H program year, or b) identifying with a Kansas 4-H Horse ID Form signed by the local Extension Agent by June 1 of the current 4-H program year. The 4-H member must have a copy of the 4-H Horse ID form signed by the local agent or a copy of the horse's registration papers on file with their local Extension Office by June 1 of the current 4-H program year.
- 2.) Exhibit a properly identified horse at a horse show in a class group and be qualified to exhibit in any class included in that group. The horse show need not be a "4-H" show. Shows may include: open shows, circuits, local associations (SCSHA, etc), breed/discipline associations (AQHA, APHA, NRHA etc.). Qualification for each group is based on one horse/rider combination. Exception: If a 4-Her qualifies more than one mare/gelding in the same halter class. In this case, another 4-Her can show the second horse in the appropriate halter class at the State Fair.
 - Group 1 Halter, Showmanship
 - Group 2 Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Hunter Hack, Saddleseat Pleasure, Saddleseat Equitation
 - Group 3 Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Trail,
 - Group 4 Ranch Rail, Ranch Pattern, Ranch Trail, Reining
 - Group 5 Barrels, Poles, Flags

3.) Complete the Kansas 4-H Equine Webinar Safety Episode with quiz annually before completing the State Fair Entry.

Complete online entry information for the Kansas State 4-H Horse Show via ShoWorks by August 1 of the current program year.

Exhibitors will be limited to entering only those classes in which they qualified for a particular horse.

Exhibitors should be prepared to show proof of exhibition via a signed affidavit by show management.

The qualification period will be from October 1-August 1 of the current 4-H program year.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Crawford County Fair Board and the Livestock Sale Committee are looking for 2 people to volunteer and perform the outlined task below.

Ideally, the people fulfilling these task have a knowledge of livestock sales (preferably Crawford County), are organized, and efficient, works well with others, and are good with numbers.

The outline of responsibilities are listed below as well as the times of when they are performed.

- Attend sale committee meetings, typically held during the winter or spring.
- **Friday of Fair-**
 - Review and check the entered destinations for each species provided by Extension staff.
 - Utilize the FairEntry system to organize and configure the sale catalog. This is done after the noon deadline when destination slips are to be submitted. Once the catalog is complete, it is to be emailed to buyers and posted on the Fair Facebook page.
- **Saturday of Fair-**
 - Before the sale, help to check in buyers at the ring.
 - Assist during the sale with imputing and tracking the information.

- Provide a Destination packing list for base bid buyers after the sale.
 - Mail them a copy after the fact as well to the base bid.

- **Post Sale-** These can either be done on Saturday after the sale or best case would be Sunday or Monday after the fair at the latest
 - Make adjustments to each sale member in order for the math to be correct in the system.
 - Review each buyer's statement and mail them to buyers so they have something for their records and know what to pay youth.
 - Review the check for each youth to ensure that they are all correct before printing checks. If they are correct print and mail checks at the earliest time.
 - Track that base bids are paid to the Fair Board.

If you or someone you know is interested in this position please contact a Fair Board member or Will at the Extension Office.

Where is Will?

The warmer weather means more events and activities happening. Please know that you are always welcome to pop in the office any time. However, in order to make the most of your time and to ensure I am not out at a program I would encourage you to email me or call the office before to set up a time with me. Email- willmorris@ksu.edu Phone- 620-724-8233

Vet Med ROCKS camps at K-State to showcase veterinary student experience with hands-on learning

K-State's College of Veterinary Medicine is giving elementary, middle school, high school and college students an opportunity to experience "A Day in the Life of a Veterinary Student" at the 2023 Vet Med ROCKS summer camps.



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