



MAY 2016

Adams County 4-H Newsletter

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May 1	Late Enrollment Deadline
May 2	4-H Council Meeting
May 5	Extension Board
May 10	Ag Society Meeting
May 13	Horse ID's, Levels, District & State Entries, Due by 5:00PM
May 13	Sheep & Goat Weigh Day
May 22	CWE Meeting
May 24	Fashion Board Meeting
May 27	Stocker Feeder & Swine deadline for EID & DNA samples to be taken
May 31 – June 11	CWExperience Trip

Adams County Extension Office Closed

May 30th – Have a wonderful Memorial Day

Sheep and Goats Weigh Day



Weigh-in is scheduled for Friday, May 13, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All market lambs and goats must be weighed and ear tagged at a County Weigh Day. All Market Lambs / Goats must be registered in Adams County by June 1. Clover Kids must also tag their halter lamb and lead goat by this date to exhibit at the fair. For further information see Livestock Section.

Camper Sign-Up for 2016 County Fair

Mark your calendars for **Monday, June 13th** as the Camper Sign-up Day for the 2016 County Fair. The sign-up will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Adams County Fairgrounds. You must be there to get a camper spot!

A Note from the Extension Office:

April Showers bring May Flowers! Where have the last few months gone? Spring is upon us and summer is just around the corner. Summer means preparation for the fair, a busy time for all of us. Please refer to your newsletter on a regular basis, it is packed full of information needed for a successful 4-H year. Enrollment was wonderful! A special thanks to all the families for completing their online enrollment. Please remember your password, and refer back to the your online enrollment site often. We will be using the online site to communicate with you throughout the year.

Adams County Fair Books: Please be patient the fairbook will be coming soon.

Pre-Fair Entry Deadline for Fair 4-H Exhibits/Activities is Wednesday June 15th.

Items that **MUST** be pre-entered include: all animal classes(including showmanship) in beef, cats, dogs, goats, horse, poultry, rabbits, sheep, small animals, and swine (please include tag and breed information), & all pre-fair and fair activities – Carcass Contest, Food Review and Cullinary Challenge, Fashion Review, Rocket Contest, Therapeutic Riding, and Ice Cream in a Can/Bag. Encouraged entries but not required are Livestock Judging, and Insect ID. For the items that **MUST** be pre-entered, a late pre-fair entry sheet will result in the lowering of exhibits by one ribbon. No phone entries will be taken. If you have any questions, please be sure to ask prior to the deadline date. It is highly recommended that you pre-enter all of your static exhibits. If you pre-enter these exhibits, you will not have to wait in line on entry day for those entry tags. Only Horticulture & Floriculture entry tags will not be pre-made. The pre-fair entry packet of information will be mailed in early June.

Congratulations

4-H Stampede Results (Missed last month)

Sr Horse Bowl: Ashlyn Mohling, Gracie Swayze, Carie Murman, Breann Becker, Brooke Becker - Blue

Shooting Sports - Medalists

BB Gun:

Beginning Division: Emily Barfknecht – Gold, Grace Brader - Silver

Jr. Division: Abigail Lauder - Gold, Kameron Jachetta - Silver

Int. Division: Konnor Howard – Gold, Alexandra Jachetta - Silver

Air Pistol:

Jr. Division: Kellen Shepard - Gold

Int. Division: Jaiden Stiegemeier – Gold, Allie Janssen - Silver

Sr. Division : Morgan Stromer – Gold, Kristina Sheppard - Silver

Air Rifle:

Int. Division: William Barfknecht - Gold, Katelyn Cecnle – Silver

Archery Freestyle:

Jr. Division: Bryce Mattley – Gold, Gabby Feeney - Silver

Int. Division: Nolan Engel– Gold, Wyatt Johnson – Silver

Sr. Division: Wyatt Jannen – Gold, Nicholas Kulwicki - Silver

Adv. Division: Luke Chamberlain – Gold, Dylan Anderon - Silver

Archery Barebow:

Jr. Division: Jaden Meyer - Gold, Riley DeJonge - Silver

Int. Division: Isaac Henry – Gold

Archery Traditional:

Sr. Division: Morgan Stromer - Gold

Shotgun:

Jr. Division: Gunner Fisher – Gold, Jack Moncreif - Silver

Sr. Division: Austin Craig - Gold, Blake Craig – Silver

Regional Speech / PSA Results

Jr. Speech Division: Ellie Pagel – Purple & Medalist

Int. Speech Division: Noah Pagel – Blue

Jr. PSA Division: Kassie Kimle – Purple & Medalist, Gabby Feeney - Purple

Graduates

The Extension Office would like to congratulate all graduating seniors. You have been great assets to the Adams County 4-H program. We wish you the best of luck with all your future endeavors.

Leaders & Parents Corner



Junior Leader News

The Adams County 4-H Junior Leaders next meeting is in the planning stages. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Shaw (402-756-6636) or the Adams County Extension Office (402-461-7209).

Jr. Leader Food Booth

Anyone interested in working in the 4-H Jr. Leader Food Booth at the fair, please contact Marilyn Shaw at 402-756-6636 to set up your time. The shifts are four hours each. Please wear a 4-H T-shirt and bring a baseball cap to wear while working in the booth. This could be clubs, independents, CWExperience 4-H'ers or 4-H families.

4-H Council Information

April 4-H Council Happenings:

- New 4-H Clubs
- Workshops/Clinics
- 4-H Scholarship

May 4-H Council Agenda Items:

- Trophies or Plaques for the county fair
- Sheep/Goat Weigh in
- 4-H Camp Scholarship Applications
- 4-H Grow True Leaders Campaign! #TrueLeaders

SAVE THE DATES!

2016 Adams County Fairfest Dates

Its official! The 2016 Adams County Fair is **July 20 to July 24**. Static Exhibits will be entered Monday, July 18th and Livestock check-in the evening of Tuesday, July 19th. Livestock Auction will be Monday, July 25th. Livestock show schedule will be the same as last year.

Summer Workshops

Save the Dates for workshops! We hope that everyone can find at least one workshop that fits your interests. Watch your email, the workshop description flyer will be emailed separately! Further details will be in the listed in the Flyer.

- June 22 – Tie Dye Workshop (Beginning & Advanced)
- June 23 – Photography Workshop
- June 23 – Pizza Pizzaz
- June 24 – Clover Kids Camp
- June 26 – Let's go Fishing Family Fun Day
- June 29 – Create for the Home
- June 30 – Fun Beyond the Needle

Youth Information

Adams County 4-H T-Shirts

The official show attire for Adams County 4-H'ers is to wear an Adams County 4-H t-shirt. If wanting to purchase a new 4-H t-shirt, the design can be viewed by stopping in at the Adams County Extension Office. Be sure to pick up your order form, orders and payment are due by June 15th. The shirts may be long or short sleeve. Remember long sleeve shirts are recommended for cat and rabbit exhibitors.

Citizenship Washington Trip

Youth who are 15 to 18 years old in the years of 2019 & 2022 are invited and welcomed to sign up for a trip of a lifetime! Youth will experience the cities of Chicago, New York City, Washington D.C. and more. If you are interested in attending any future conferences, please contact NE Extension in Adams County at (402)461-7209. It is never too early to sign up.

CWExperience Members Your Help is needed at:

Good Sam Camper Food Stand – June 7th thru 11th. Workers are needed from: 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Tue-Sat, also 6 a.m. – 9 a.m. on Friday for the pancake feed. Youth may also volunteer to bring pies (no cream or refrigerated). If interested, please contact the Adams County Extension Office, at (402) 461-7209 for more info. Money earned at this fundraising activity will be applied to your 2019 or 2022 CWF trip fund.

4-H Summer Camps & Trips

The summer programs offered at both of our 4-H camping locations as well as out destination camps provide all youth a place to discover, learn and grow. Camps are open to anyone ages 5 - 18 years old. The 2016 Summer Camp schedules and registration can be found on the website at <http://4h.unl.edu/4hsummercamp>. Camps are open to anyone ages 5 - 18 years old. Stop by the office and pick up your 2016 4-H Summer Camps & Trips Brochure.

Big Red Camps

The 2016 Big Red Summer Academic Camps, to be held **June 5 - 10, 2016**, are only three months away! New camps for 2016 include Computing, Weather & Climate Science, Veterinary Science, Filmmaking, Engineering, Culinary Arts & Food Science, Outdoor Nebraska, & Unicameral Youth Legislature. Visit bigredcamps.unl.edu for more information.

Adams County Day Camp: June 7th

Youth and Families looking for a camp that is close to Adams County, look no further than attending the annual 4-H Day Camp held at Liberty Cove near Lawrence, NE, on Tuesday, June 7. This camp will include outdoor education from the Game and Parks and Nebraska Extension's Outdoor U. This will be a great opportunity meet other youth from the three counties and importantly have fun. The camp will start at 9:30 a.m. and conclude with a potluck meal at 6:00 p.m. The registration deadline is May 27 at the Adams County Extension Office. Please register by contacting NE Extension in Adams County at (402)461-7209.



Exhibiting Your School Projects at Fair

Several projects 4-H members are completing at school can also be exhibited at the fair. Examples of these are family heritage books, bug collections, art projects and shop projects. Visit with the Extension Office Staff to make sure you are enrolled in the appropriate 4-H project and make sure you are following the 2015 Adams County Fairbook for your class entries.

Tractor Safety Training

All youth aged 14 & 15 and working on a farm or ranch other than their own must be certified through a Hazardous Occupations Course. Successful completion of the course will allow trained youth to operate a tractor 20 PTO horsepower, or connect or disconnect an implement or any of its parts to or from a tractor.

Training Dates & Locations:

- May 23 – 24: Fairgrounds, Kearney
- May 26 – 27: Fairgrounds, McCook
- June 2 – 3: Fairgrounds, Valentine
- June 13 – 14: WCREC, North Platte
- June 16 – 17: Legacy Museum, Gering
- June 20 – 21: Fairgrounds, Wayne
- June 23 – 24: College Park, Grand Island
- July 6 – 7: City Auditorium, Gordon

Stop by the Extension Office to pick up the registration form and more details

Project Information

Shooting Sports



Adams County 4-H Shooting Sports Participants – please pick up your items in the Extension Office!

Calendar for Adams County Shooting Sports Activities

- June 4 & 5 Nebraska State 4-H Outdoor Archery Tournament and Nebraska State High School Bowhunter 3D Shoot (Grand Island)

For more information on how to pre-register for the events listed above, contact the Extension office or Registration information and entry forms can be found at - <http://4h.unl.edu/shootingsportseventcalendar>

Communications

Photography Themes for 2016



UNIT II: NEBRASKA EXHIBIT PRINT: “4-H Grows Here” campaign. Capture photos of people and places that illustrate 4-H growing and thriving in Nebraska! Your photos should tell a story about how “4-H Grows Here” in your local community. Please print and include the 4-H Grows Here! logo in your photos. The logo can be accessed at <https://unl.box.com/s/krptc9q2f2yxkxcpyc6q6flx6ni6z7mo>.

UNIT III: NEBRASKA EXHIBIT PRINT: “4-H Grows Here” campaign. Capture photos of people and places that illustrate 4-H growing and thriving in Nebraska! Your photos should tell a story about how “4-H Grows Here” in your local community. Please print and include the 4-H Grows Here! logo in your photos. The logo can be accessed at <https://unl.box.com/s/krptc9q2f2yxkxcpyc6q6flx6ni6z7mo>.

The 4-H Interview Contest

Mark your calendars with May 26th at the Norfolk Life Long Learning Center, during the regional speech contest. This event has been held during State Fair in the past. For further information please contact Kim Bearnese kbearnese1@unl.edu or visit <http://extension.unl.edu/statewide/nerec/4h/>. Interview Contest resumes and Cover letters will be due on May 12 to Mary Jarvi at the Norfolk District office. Ribbons and Trophies will be awarded. Intermediate and Sr. Division eligible.

Presentations Contest

The Adams County 4-H Presentations Contest will be held during the fair this year on **Thursday, July 21st** at **5:30 p.m.** in the West End of the Activities Center. The types of classes are:

- 1) Illustrated (Use Visual Aids such as props, posters, computer-based visuals)
- 2) Multimedia presentation (have an oral intro followed by a self-automated, free standing digital presentation)
- 3) Teaching Presentation (Interactive presentation where youth engage their audience).

A 4-H member may participate in only one Presentation class. **Registrations are due Wednesday June 15th on Pre-Fair Entry Form by 5:00 p.m.** at the Extension Office in Adams County.

Family and Consumer Science

FCS Judging Contest

Are you ready for life? The FCS Judging Contest will test your skills with a multiple choice quiz in foods & nutrition, clothing & fiber arts, home environment, entrepreneurship, and financial and money management. This contest is held in conjunction with the Food Revue Contest on Friday, July 15th at 2:30 p.m., and open to any 4-H member. Pre-registration is not required.

Healthy Lifestyles

2015 Food Revue Contest

Start planning now for the Food Revue Contest on **Friday, July 15th** at 2:30 PM (set up starts at 1:30 PM). Food Revue Themes for 2016 are:

County Fair (Ridin', Rockin' & Livestockin') – Using the theme of the Adams County Fair, pack an on-the-go lunch that will be both safe to eat and deliciously satisfying to keep you going throughout a long day of play. Get creative and display what your sack lunch site might look like, too!

Mothers Day Brunch – Plan to serve your mom something special on her special day!

Lunch for Dad in the Field – It's time to plant or harvest, dad is putting in long hours in the tractor and unable to stop to have lunch. Think outside of the box while providing him with a healthy meal on the go.

MyPlate the International Way – Visit <http://www.choosemyplate.gov/> to become more familiar with MyPlate, its key messages and major components. Then, create your own international version of MyPlate (keeping in mind MyPlate's messages and components) with a menu from a faraway country or culture different from yours.

You will need to bring:

- Your own card table.
- Two place settings
- One serving of the food from your menu for the judge to taste. You only need to prepare one of the foods on your menu.
- Two posters (8 ½ x 11 inches)
- Recipe
- Menu

To participate in the contest, you must register by Wednesday, June 15th on the Pre-Fair Entry Form.

4-H Cullinary Challenge will be held in Conjunction with Food Revue

Through the 4-H Cullinary Challenge youth will demonstrate healthy decision making through nutrition, food preparation, menu planning, and food safety, utilizing foods and nutrition curriculum. They will apply healthy living knowledge and skills by planning a nutritious menu, demonstrating their understanding of time management skills in the kitchen, and expressing their originality and creativity through an appropriate themed and properly set table. To showcase these skills, youth will create a menu, prepare one food item, and choose an appropriate theme for their occasion while expressing their food, nutrition, and food safety knowledge during a live interview with a judge at the contest. In order to highlight knowledge and skills acquired during pre-contest preparation, youth will utilize technology as part of their interview.

- A team will consist of two members to be eligible to compete. 4-H members must all be at least 10 years of age by January 1st to be eligible for State Fair.
- All team members must be enrolled in a 4-H foods and nutrition project during the current 4-H year.
- Time Limits: Judging interviews will be approximately 8 to 10 minutes for Junior Division (10 to 12 years of age), and 12 to 15 minutes for Senior Division (13 and older 4-H members). This time includes a short presentation by the teams, as well as questions from the judge.
- Pre-registration is required for contest by stated deadline or they will be considered a late entry and lowered one ribbon placing.
- Limit: one exhibit per Team.
- Challenge Ingredient/Item: A challenge ingredient will be selected each year, highlighting a Nebraska food product. Each team must incorporate the challenge ingredient into one of the items on their menu. This may be the prepared food, or another item they would make for the occasion. This may require altering a recipe or creatively incorporating an item into their overall table theme. The challenge ingredient must also be included in the interview presentation, demonstrating youth knowledge of the ingredient, such as nutritional value, a farm-to-fork concept, or how to adapt a recipe to include the ingredient. **The 2016 challenge ingredient is squash.**
- Judges Interview: The team should view themselves as the hosts, welcoming the judge, cooperatively presenting the table to the judge, incorporating multi-media resources, and answering any questions from the judge. Teams must be prepared to present to the judge utilizing technology (PowerPoint, picture story, or other multi-media resource). Presentations may include photos, clip art, animation, video or audio sound. The 4-H members should cooperatively present a verbal presentation to the judge that is highlighted by their multi-media presentation via computer or iPad. Participants must provide their own computer or other equipment needed for their 4-H Foods Event judging interview. Presentations will occur at participants' tables. (Please do not bring projectors or other equipment which will require extra space).

Nebraska Mystery Foods Event – Save the Date!

The Second Annual Nebraska Mystery Foods Event will be held on Friday, June 3rd at Raising Nebraska, located in Grand Island, NE. This event challenges teams of youth ages 10 to 18 to use their creativity, nutrition knowledge, and decision making to make a dish onsite which includes mystery ingredients. This event is open to all youth. For complete rules and to download an entry form, visit www.raisingnebraska.net.

Lifetime Sports



Tennis - Watch your mailbox for postcard with details.

Golf – The 4-H golf program is being planned with practices on **August 2nd and August 3rd** beginning at 9 a.m. at Southern Hills Golf Course. The fee is \$5 for non-members and \$1 for members. The tournament (also at Southern Hills Golf Course) will begin at 9 a.m. on **August 4th**. Release forms will be mailed out to 4-H'ers enrolled in the golf project. **Parental consent/medical release forms must be signed and returned to the Extension Office by July 28th** (this is mandatory).



Bowling – The bowling tournament is set for Tuesday, **June 27th**, with start times of 1:30 PM and 6:30 PM. Bowling **registrations are due to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15th**. The cost will be \$8.00 per person. Just a reminder, you must be enrolled in the bowling project to participate in the tournament.



STEM

Science Saturdays at Raising Nebraska

Celebrate the International Year of the Pulse through Science Saturdays, a free and open to the public event, at Raising Nebraska located on the State Fairgrounds in Grand Island, NE. Science Saturday occurs the second Saturday of every month with the facility open from 10:00 to noon. The highlighted program consists of an educational, interactive and fun 25 minute session. Upcoming program is:

- May 14th – Pollinator Power by Doug Golick

For more details about the Science Saturday program, visit www.raisingnebraska.net or contact Beth Janning at 308.385.3967 or ejanning2@unl.edu

Rocket Contest

Enjoy an evening of shooting off rockets at the Adams County Rocket Contest on Thursday, **June 30th** at 7:30 p.m. in front of the Grand Stand at the Adams County Fairgrounds. This contest is open to any 4-H members who are 8 years or older as of January 1st. Participants do not have to be enrolled in the Aerospace Projects to participate. Youth may build a rocket or purchase a rocket to launch. Each participant will have three launches which may be used for the rocket project requirement. Participants may bring their own launching equipment or use the Adams County Extension Office equipment. To participate, youth must **register for the contest by Wednesday, June 15th on Pre-Fair Entry Forms.**

Environmental Ed & Earth Science

Tree and Horticulture Identification Contest

Sharon Maul from Central Community College will be teaching tree and horticulture identification again this year. You will be able to impress your family and friends with your plant knowledge after participating in the program. Practice sessions & contest TBA.

Attention: All 4-H Exhibitors enrolled in Floriculture, House Plants, and Garden Projects

Read the rules for exhibiting long before the fair arrives. You will find that the rules require you to include the cultivar or variety name on your entry card. If you do not include the cultivar or variety name, your entry is dropped one ribbon placing. What is the cultivar or variety name and where do you find it?

When you go to purchase your seeds and/or plants, the seed packet or container has a name on it. Example: Tomato. There are hundreds of different cultivars or varieties of tomatoes. You need to look closely at the seed packet or plant container to see which variety or cultivar you have purchased: Beefsteak, Brandywine, Early Girl, Park's Whopper, Celebrity, etc.

Cucumber—Burpless Beauty, Straight 8, Sweet Success, etc.

Green Beans—Tenderpick, Blue Lake, Big Kahuna, Burpee's Stringless Green Pod, etc.

Zinnia—State Fair Mix, Purple Prince, Jazzy Mix, Cut & Come Again, Double Fire, etc.

Apples—Granny Smith, Red Delicious, Gala, Yellow Delicious, Jonathan, etc.

Oriental Lilies—Bonbini, Casa Blanca, Golden Star Gazer, Tiger Edition, etc.

You will notice that variety and cultivar names are usually English words. If the seed packet or plant container does not include the variety or cultivar name, do not purchase it. (It is rare that this information is absent.)

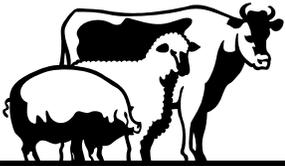
HINT: Save seed packets and plant container markers.

Ensure that you enter your exhibit in the correct class and then add the variety or cultivar name.

ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT ALERT

There is no longer a weight limit for container-grown houseplants, hanging baskets, dish gardens, desert gardens, and terrariums. The current rule states that container-grown plants must be in containers no greater than 12 inches in diameter (inside opening measurement).

Livestock



Heads Up on ID & Pre-Fair Entry Deadlines

As a friendly reminder here are some important deadlines that will be here before we know it! They are:

- **May 13th** – Horse ID's, District & State Entries Due to UNL Extension Office in Adams County
- **May 13th** – Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Adams County Fairgrounds
- **June 1st** – Stocker Feeder & Swine DNA Samples Due
- **June 1st** – Animal ID's & Vaccinations (tags need to be purchased and in the animals ear)
- **June 15th** – Pre-Fair Entry Forms Due

Continuing in 2016:

- **Showmanship** – is required for all species in 2016. Showmanship is optional for youth showing Dog (added in 2016), Market Broilers and in Other Fowl Classes. Penalty – all monies or premium in that species would be forfeited if the youth is not excused from showmanship by officials in charge of the show and/or Extension Staff and /or 4-H Council.
- **Penalty for missed Deadline** – If a Livestock ID or Pre-Fair Entry deadline is missed, a \$50 fee per species per family per occurrence may be paid within 2 weeks per deadline without addressing the 4-H Council. A 4-H family may only file for excuse with the 4-H Council due to extenuating family issues. Otherwise the ribbon placing will be docked.

Quality Assurance (Face to Face) Training

On Wednesday, June 1st from 6:30-8:00 p.m. held at the Fairgrounds will be the hands-on educational training about Livestock Quality Assurance. The face to face training will have a \$5 pre-registration cost and a \$10 fee at the door. Please pre-register by May 27 at the Extension Office.

Quality Assurance Educational Programs are **State Mandated** for all youth who exhibit **beef, sheep, swine, goats, poultry, rabbits and dairy animals** (Adams County exempts Clover Kids). To fulfill the following age appropriate requirements:

- **Youth ages 8 - 10** can attend a yearly quality assurance program (face to face) or complete three online modules.
- **Youth ages 11 - 14** can attend a yearly quality assurance program (face to face) or complete three online modules or can take and pass a test that will fulfill their requirements until they are 15.
- **Youth ages 15 - 18** can attend a yearly quality assurance program (face to face) or complete three online modules or can take and pass a test that will fulfill their requirements for the rest of their 4-H career.

Online modules can be found at (<http://campus.extension.org/>) or Adams County will offer a face to face yearly quality assurance program for youth (all ages). **Face to Face trainings and online modules will have a cost. Test Out Option – available by appointment in the Extension Office** at no cost.

Clover Kids – Quality Assurance:

Any Clover Kid enrolled in the Clover Kid Bucket Calf, Clover Kid Halter Lamb/Lead Goat, CK Poultry or CK- Rabbit Projects are encouraged but not required to attend the face to face Quality Assurance training

New for Adams County Livestock Exhibitors in 2016!

Any livestock exhibitor who wants to participate in the Adams County 4-H Livestock Auction at Fair is required to have a Premise ID on file in the Extension Office, please note this ID can be the same for each youth in the family. A Premise ID designates the geographic point where animals might be housed.

Premises IDs do not designate ownership or individuals so a single premises ID would be the same for however many 4-H/FFA projects or production livestock operation are located at that site. This is a free application by emailing Ross Baker at ross.baker@nebraska.gov. Provide Ross answers to the following questions:

- Address where the mail is received (home address)
- Address where animals are located (if different than above)
- If no address is available, please provide driving directions from the nearest highway or GPS coordinates
- Contact Name
- Contact Phone number
- Email address (optional)

If you have questions, please contact Ross at the email address above or Steve Landon at the Extension office @ 402-461-7209.

You must call and give your Premise ID to the Extension Staff by June 1st.

Attention Beef Exhibitors - Beef Fitting/Showmanship Clinic

On Saturday, June 18, at 9:00 AM at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings will be the location of a hands-on learning program where youth and their families can attend to learn about fitting their beef animal and showmanship skills. Each youth attending the event will need to supply an animal, blocking chute, equipment such as combs, adhesive sprays, blowers and other items exhibitors would have on show day. The deadline to register for the Beef Fitting / Showmanship clinic is Friday, June 10 with a fee of \$5. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office.

2016 Sheep & Goat Weigh Day

On Friday, May 13 (5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.), at the Adams County Fairgrounds will be the location of the Market Goat / Lamb Weigh Day. County Fair animals will be tagged with a 4-H tag that will cost \$1 / head. If families want to nominate their animals for State Fair and/or AKSARBEN, the costs of the EID tag will be \$2 and \$6 for the DNA sample / head. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Office. Families may tag and weigh-in at another county with the understanding they will not participate in the County Rate of Gain Contest.

Scrapies Tag

All female sheep and goats (breeding and market) and breeding rams to be exhibited at the Adams County Fair, State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben must have a scrapies tag in its ear. If you have your own flock, you must order tags and register your flock through the USDA. If you are purchasing sheep or goats, make sure that the producer puts a scrapies tag in the ear before you accept them. The complete tag # must be entered on the ID sheets.

Stocker Feeder & Swine ID's Due

The Stocker Feeder & Swine ID's are due on Wednesday, June 1st. Anyone interested in showing Swine at the Nebraska State Fair or Ak-Sar-Ben and Stocker Feeders at Ak-Sar-Ben must contact Steve to find a day and time for him to come out and take DNA samples and put in and EID tag if needed before May 27th.

Poultry Judging

The Southern Plains Poultry Clinic and Judging Day will be held in Deshler, NE on Thursday, June 9th starting at 1:00 p.m. The Southern Plains Poultry Judging counts as the Adams County 4-H Poultry Judging Contest. This is a GREAT opportunity to test the waters or check your knowledge at Poultry Judging.

Regional Dairy Show

The Regional Dairy Show will be **Sunday, June 12th** starting at 10:00 a.m. in Clay Center. Entries must be turned into the Adams County Office by June 1st so that we can submit to the Clay County Office by June 5th.



Horse Show Dates

2016 District Horse Show Dates & Locations – all level testing required for participation in district horse show plus Horse ID sheets must be completed by May 13.

June 13 – Kearney

June 16 – Leigh

June 14 – Chadron

June 17 – Bloomfield

June 15 – McCook

June 21 – Lincoln

2016 Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show July 10 -14, 2016

District & State Horse Show Entry Forms Due

All youth wanting to participate in District and State Horses must complete, pay, and turn in entry forms by **Friday, May 13, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.** to the Adams County Extension Office. Horse Levels must be completed also. No late forms will be accepted based on State 4-H Rules.

County & State Horse ID DEADLINE – May 13th

Horse Judging Workshop

Horse leaders are invited to attend a workshop to learn about different topics which include:

- Ranch Horse Pleasure
- Western Horsemanship
- Judging ethics/procedures
- Learn how to interpret the Horse Rules and Regulations

The Pre-registration cost is \$20 per adult and \$10 per youth. At each location there will be a chance to take the 4-H Judges exam for a fee of \$20.

Participants must register by postmarked one week prior to the event.

- May 17 – Chadron, NE 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Dog Obedience Classes

Dog Program Obedience classes, offered by Adams County Extension, continues to be held each Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Adams County Fairgrounds in the west end of the Activities building. 4-Hers can still participate as long as they have 1) Enrolled in 4-H and in the dog project, 2) Vaccination record form completed and turned into the Extension Office and 3) \$10.00 class fee paid to the Extension Office before attending any class.



Clover Kids Dog Class

A Clover Kids dog exhibition will again be conducted at the county fair dog show. In order to participate, Clover Kids must have signed-up for 4-H and enrolled in the Clover Kid Dog project, must have registered for the 4-H dog classes, and participate in at least four sessions. These sessions begin on Monday, May 16th at 7:00 p.m.

4-H Dog Agility & Rally Practices

Dog agility and Rally are great projects for you and your dog to have fun together. The classes will be held at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Windmill Park **starting TBA** at Dog Classes. To participate, you must be signed up for 4-H and the Dog Project, sign a medical release form, and provide to the Extension Office a record that your dog has been vaccinated. You and your dog must have completed at least the beginning novice dog obedience class, and have received at least a red ribbon at a previous fair before you can participate in the dog agility classes and you will need a break away type collar for the dog. The cost for this class is \$10.00 unless you have already paid for this year's 4-H Dog Obedience class. **Parental attendance is required at the practices.**

4-H General Information

Nebraska College of Technical Agricultural (NCTA) Animal Science Field Day

NCTA would like to invite youth ages 8-18 years old to attend the livestock judging camp on May 25 to learn more about cattle/goat/sheep and swine selections and learn how to perform oral reasons on how you placed the animals. The clinic starts at 1 p.m. held on the NCTA campus in Curtis, NE. The deadline to register is May 18th by 5:00 p.m. Anyone interested must register online at http://go.unl.edu/e9wz_or_ncta.unl.edu The following day on May 26, West Central 4-H staff will be presenting a great educational opportunity to learn more about animal science. Some of the topics include reproduction systems, digestive systems, horse management, and much more. All sessions will include hands-on demonstrations for youth ages 8-18 years old. To register for only the program on May 26, please contact the Extension Office by May 19. If youth decide they want to attend both, please go to the website link listed above and the cost of both programs will be included. Reminder, if youth are attending both events, youth will be staying in the dorms on campus. Please contact the Extension Office so that we can plan accordingly for the trip to Curtis.

South Central Livestock Judging Clinic / Contest

On Wednesday, June 1, in Bladen, NE, will be the site of a livestock judging clinic and contest for all youth to learn about evaluating livestock and learn what judges are looking for at the County Fair. UNL Livestock Judging Coach, Brad Bennett, will be conducting the clinic and will be the official for the contest. For more information about the clinic and contest, please contact the Extension Office.

South Central Nebraska Livestock Exposition

Webster County 4-H Junior Leaders is sponsoring again the annual progress shows for sheep, goats and cattle. The exposition will be held at the Webster County Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 4. This is an excellent show other than County Fair to see the progression on your animal, plus find out how much your market animal weighs. For more information, please contact the Webster County Extension Office at 402-746-3417.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

As you know Adams County Extension is the local connection to the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and would like to encourage all high school students to go to <http://www.unl.edu/prospective/> by exploring opportunities that the Huskers may provide. Information within this link to explore are scholarships, financial aid, tours with students and staff and much more.

4-H Calendar

MAY

- May 1 Late Enrollment Deadline
- May 2 4-H Council Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- May 5 Extension Board – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- May 10 Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds
- May 13 Horse ID's, Levels, District & State Entries, Due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office
- May 13 Sheep & Goat Weigh Day – 5:30PM to 7:00PM @ Fairgrounds
- May 22 CWExperience Meeting – 4:00PM @ Assembly Room
- May 24 Fashion Board Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- May 27 Stocker Feeder & Swine deadline for EID & DNA samples to be taken
- May 31-June 11 CWExperience Trip

JUNE

- June 1 Animal ID & Contest registration, Due by 5:00PM @ Extension Office
- June 1 South Central Livestock Judging Clinic & Contest @ Bladen
- June 1 QA Face to Face Training – 6:00PM @ Fairgrounds
- June 2 Extension Board - 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- June 6 4-H Council Meeting – 7:00PM @ Assembly Room
- June 7 County Camp – Liberty Cove, Lawrence
- June 7–11 Good Sam – CWExperience Fundraiser
- June 9 South Central Poultry Judging - Deshler
- June 12 Regional Dairy Show – Clay Center
- June 13 Camper Sign up – 8:00AM @ Fairgrounds
- June 14 Ag Society Meeting – 7:30PM @ Fairgrounds
- June 15 Pre-Fair Entry & QA Deadline – 5:00PM @ Extension Office
- June 18 Beef Clinic – 9:00AM @ Fairgrounds
- June 19-21 PASE/Life Challenge – Lincoln
- June 22 Dying Workshop – Fairgrounds
- June 23 Photography Workshop – Assembly Room
- June 23 Pizza Pizzaz Workshop – Fairgrounds
- June 24 Clover Kids Camp – Fairgrounds
- June 25 Sheep/Goat Clinic – Fairgrounds
- June 26 Let's Go Fishing Workshop (Family Fun Day) – Prairie Lake
- June 27 Bowling Tournament – 1:30 & 6:30 PM @ Pastime Lanes
- June 29 Create for the Home Workshop – Fairgrounds
- June 30 Experience fun Beyond the Needle – Fairgrounds
- June 30 Rocket Contest – 7:30 PM @ Fairgrounds Grandstand

Please Check the Adams County Web site at <http://www.adams.unl.edu/> for current calendar information.

2016 4-H Council

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