



# Antelope County 4-H Newsletter



## JULY 2021

Dear 4-H Families,

The countdown is on! Less than a month away!! There are some changes this year so please read this newsletter carefully, also you should already have your fairbook so you are ready for fair!

Entry tags will be printed and ready for pickup July 30th, so please come and pick up your entry tags before the fair starts so you can have them attached to your exhibits when you get to fair.

We are having two clean up/work nights again this year. The first will be **Monday, July 26th at 6:30pm** and the second will be, **Monday, August 2nd, at 6:30pm**. This will be the last chance we will have to get our fairground in grand shape for the fair. Please bring buckets, rags, cleaners, hoses, garden rakes, dirt shovels, grain scoops, leaf rakes, work gloves, etc.. The more people we have to help, the faster we will be done!

Exhibitors will pick up their stall tags, markers, staples, etc. in the Livestock Show Office. (it is the little building west of poultry barn)

A free meal ticket is enclosed in this newsletter donated by AKRS Equipment so remember to bring it with you to the fair.

Starting Tuesday August 3rd, we will NOT be in our office at the courthouse, we will be spending our days out at the fairgrounds. Please get all of your questions asked before then!

**We hope everyone has a safe and very enjoyable fair experience!**

**Good Luck to all exhibitors!**

**See you at the Fair!**

We will be doing pre-entries online again this year and just like previous years they will be due July 8th! The online entry will shut off at 11:59 p.m. on Thursday July 8th! As a reminder for late entries after July 8th; they will not be eligible for champion/reserve honors, dropped one ribbon color & will not be eligible for State Fair. These entry forms are very important for us to prepare for fair. Just a few things we do with the pre-entries are: prepare your entry cards, prepare superintendent books, assign stall assignments for livestock, print back tags, prepare interview schedules, determine how many exhibits we will be expecting for space, & etc. We appreciate your cooperation with this deadline.

For those that are needing help with the online pre-entries or just have some fair questions, we will be having a Pre-Entry Work night on Tuesday, July 6th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Courthouse Basement Meeting Room. Please enter through the south doors and take the stairs to basement.

**Shooting Sports** 4-Her's you should have already received information on registering for the shoot on July 25th. If you have not you should be calling the office. Deadline to register is July 8th. Clothing for Shoot: 4-H t-shirt, or a white shirt with 4-H chevron or shirt for the discipline area and dark blue jeans. Appropriate shoes for each discipline must be worn, no open toe. Rules can be found in your fairbook. You can purchase chevron at the office.



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## Exhibit Building Schedule

We need volunteers to monitor the exhibit building during the fair. If any independent families or clubs can watch during the fair, please let us know prior to fair. We greatly appreciate your help! The exhibit building will have to be closed to the public if we cannot find enough help to watch the building. You can sign up with the QR code or you can call the office.

<b>Thursday August 5th</b>	4:00 pm - 6:30 pm	County Liners
	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	

<b>Friday August 6th</b>	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Sandy Spur
	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	

<b>Saturday August 7th</b>	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	



Please sign up for a timeslot by going to: <https://go.unl.edu/3f7d> or scan on the QR Code below.

### Photography Workshop

**July 13 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Antelope Co. Courthouse**

- Christie Counts, our 4-H Photography Superintendent, is back to help you finish your photography project for fair! Christie can help you matte your photos for fair and get your photography data tag done! You don't want to miss it! Please print your photos ahead of time and bring them to the workshop. If exhibiting an 8x10 photo exhibit please bring a photo mat that is 11x14 (outside size). If exhibiting a photo display of 3 4"x6" photos please bring a black or white poster or mat board that is 11"x14". Call office to sign up.

### Rabbit Workshop #2

**July 25 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Antelope Co. Fairgrounds**

The Qualset Family is back to help give you last minute advice for the big show day as well as give you some pointers on your showmanship. Youth are encouraged to bring a rabbit so they can practice with them. Also, it is recommended to bring a carpet square or an old towel as well as some grooming tools. Call office to sign up.

### 4-H T-Shirts!

An official 4-H shirt is required to show any animal at the county fair, as well as participate in shooting sports. You may also wear a white shirt with a 4-H chevron. Check the fairbook for the requirements in your area.

The following outlet in Neligh will be printing the 4-H shirts for your purchase.

**319 Graphics & T's - Rachelle Lyall, 402-887-4503**

They will not have quantities made up ahead of time, but will be printing them as ordered. Don't wait for the last minute, order today.

## 4-H Families Help List



### **Curb Style Drop Off Wednesday August 4th**

Projects that are not interviewed will be dropped off outside the exhibit building for volunteers to carry inside. Please make sure all of your projects have entry cards attached and are ready to be dropped off. If they are not, you will be asked to pull your vehicle to the side and complete your finishing touches. Remember if there is a QRL code on the tag don't attach through it.

### **Beyond the Needle/ Sewing/ Quilt Quest – Check-In Day & Modeling**

The style revue and clothing construction entry day will be **Friday, July 30th at 9:00 am** at the Fairgrounds Exhibit Building. This year we will be doing an interview schedule.

Anyone who has pre-entered in these areas will receive a letter and a form for modeling. If you would like to model and don't receive a form, just let us know and we can get one to you.

All exhibitors listed under Department "C" clothing as well as **Beyond the Needle** and **Quilt Quest** in the fair book will be judged that day. If you are a Clover Kid and would like to model something you have sewn or decorated, please contact the office and we will send you a form.

### **Photography**

The photography will be entered in and interviewed on **Friday, July 30th at 9:00 am** at the Fairgrounds Exhibit Building. Don't forget your entry & data tags on your photography!! You can find a template for data tags at our Extension website: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>. Filling out a data tag for each of your photography exhibits is required. TAPE your entry card on the top right-hand corner of your photo so it can be flipped back to view the entire photo for judging. We will be doing a block interview times; with last names starting with A-L 9:00 am – 10:30 am and M-Z 10:30 am – 12:00.

### **Foods & Interviews**

The Food Entries will be **Tuesday, August 3rd from Noon to 3:00pm**. Certain food projects will be interviewed. We will be doing block interview times; last names starting with A-L 1:00pm - 2:00pm and M-Z 2:00pm - 3:00pm. Attach entry card and recipe to the upper left-hand corner of the bag with a staple. Canned exhibits attach by punching a hole in the upper left-hand corner and wrap it with a rubber band. 3 jar exhibits need to be in a box.

### **Favorite Foods**

They will be entered and interviewed **Tuesday, August 3rd from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm**. It is also encouraged that you set up before 4:00 pm.

### **Cake Decorating Interviews & Static Entries**

The Cake Decorating will be **Wednesday, August 4th 9:00 am - 1:00 pm** you will receive a schedule with a specific time to come & talk to the judge about your cake.

All other items (i.e. **gardening, woodworking, home environment, agriculture, etc.**) with the exception of clothing are entered on **Wednesday, August 4th from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm** at the fairgrounds and are not interviewed!! These projects will be curb style drop off.

### **Home Environment**

If you are exhibiting projects in any division in the Home Environment Department, youth are required to include supporting information. Information must include the elements & principles of design used. This includes: Celebrate Arts, Sketchbook Crossroads, Portfolio Pathways, Design My Space, Heirloom Treasures, & Design Decisions. You may use the template like the one found in this newsletter or on our website at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>.

**Legos:** Lego models need to come in a shallow box so we can move the Lego model easier and keep all of the parts together. They also need to be labeled with 4-Her's name, especially if they have several lego pieces.

**Interview Reminder:** when you have your interview with the judge, you should try to look your best and polished for the judge. Wear a clean t-shirt (preferably a 4-H one) and clean jeans. Since you have put a lot of time and effort into your exhibit, be sure to spend a little time getting yourself ready for the interview as well. When you are done interviewing your project, please promptly leave the exhibit building.

### **Horticulture**

The sign up form for flowers and vegetables, will be mailed out July 19th and will be due Wednesday July 28th by noon. The variety or cultivar must be included on this form.

### **Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors**

The record books for Rabbits are due when checking in your rabbit, **Thursday August 5th** from 8:00 am – 10:00 am!

Premium Auction: The Premium Auction will have one big lot for rabbits and poultry exhibitors, you will once again HAVE to be PRESENT at the Premium Auction on Saturday, August 7th at around 4:00 pm to get extra premium money. If you are not present, you will not get premium from the auction.

We also want to remind the exhibitors that it is very important to keep your animals cages clean during fair and just as important to clean up after your animals before you leave fair! Please remember it is your responsibility (exhibitor) to clean the cages, this includes under the cages after the conclusion of the fair!

### **Small Animal Exhibitors**

You need to fill out a 4-H Small Animal Record Book to give to the county fair judge. Stop by our office and pick up one or find one on our website at: <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/> . Each species will require you to fill out a separate record book. If you are showing a cat, dog, or pocket pet, the record book will be due at the time of show check-in.

### **Bucket Calf Project**

The Bucket Calf record books are available in our office or online at:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/antelope/4h/>. There's a separate record book for 1st & 2nd Year Bucket Calves. 7 year old clover kids may complete a record book for their 1st year calf if they are planning to bring the calf next year for a 2nd year bucket calf 4-H project!

1st year bucket calf record books due Monday, August 2nd by noon to the Extension office. 2nd years are due at time of weigh in on Thursday 5th. Reminder bucket calf show is Thursday August 5th at 3:00 pm, this includes Clover Kids. Interviews for 1st and 2nd year bucket calf will be Wednesday August 4th from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm and Thursday August 5th from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. We will be sending out a google doc for families to sign up for a time. **REMINDER: Absolutely no clipping, fitting or adhesives allowed on 1st yr Bucket calf!!**

### **Clover Kids**

Clover Kids will be interviewed for just 1 of their static projects that they will select. The interviews will be from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Tuesday, August 3rd. All of their exhibits will be entered at this time. Clover kids will also have entry tags for their projects. They will be ready July 30th and can be picked up at the office.

We feel it is important to hear what they have learned and the fun they had while making their projects!

Wear a 4-H T-Shirt and you do not need an exhibitor number.

When you signed up online ShoWorks, you were asked if you needed a stall space or not. If something changed, please let the Extension Office know. If your animal is staying pick up a stall card at the livestock show office (small building west of poultry shed)

Reminder bucket calf show is Thursday August 5th at 3:00 pm.

**Wood Chips** Ag Society will only do the initial bedding of the stalls, all exhibitors after that will need to purchase their own wood chips. Only wood chips are allowed, so plan ahead. There will not be any wood chips for sale at the fairgrounds, so make sure to bring your own.



**Webpage: antelope.unl.edu**

If you are needing any supporting information for your projects you are taking to the fair, go to our webpage under 4-H Member Resources.

**Home Environment Supporting Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Check elements and principles used in your exhibit

Elements of Design-The building blocks of design

\_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Texture

\_\_\_\_\_ Shape/Form \_\_\_\_\_ Line \_\_\_\_\_ Space

Principles of Design- How you used the elements to make your project.

\_\_\_\_\_ Rhythm/Repetition \_\_\_\_\_ Balance

\_\_\_\_\_ Emphasis \_\_\_\_\_ Unity \_\_\_\_\_ Proportion

Steps taken to complete this exhibit

*(you can use back to answer question)*



**County Wide Project Challenge**

*Burlap*

Have fun using your imagination to create any type of project out of Burlap. Give the Extension office a call if you want to do this project for the county fair.

*We have Burlap at the office to give away for this project!*



**Antelope County Fair 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Livestock Premium Auction**



**Location:** Livestock Show Ring

**Date:** August 7, 2021

**Time:** 4:00 PM

**ALL YOUTH PARTICIPATING MUST BE PRESENT WITH THEIR LIVESTOCK!**

**For more information, please contact:**

Alice Morrison: (402) 843-8321    Greg Todd: (402) 360-1028  
John Beckman: (402) 843-6044    Stuart Vaughn: (402) 368-7782  
Travis Rudloff: (402) 640-7321    Rhonda Meyer: (402) 750-6006

The premium auction provides an opportunity for exhibitors of market livestock in the areas of beef, goats, sheep, swine, rabbits, and poultry to offset expenses occurred through duration of the project.

**5% of all overall bids will be retained for operating expenses.**



June 2021

Dear 4-H & FFA Supporter,

The 4-H & FFA programs in Antelope County are thriving and growing! Our 4-H Program continues to keep growing with over 350 members! 4-H Members are participating at record levels learning skills in photography, horticulture, woodworking, leather, welding, arts, sewing, livestock production, and many more. We currently have four FFA Chapters in Antelope County: Elgin, Neligh-Oakdale, Elkhorn Valley, and Summerland. We invite you to support our 4-H & FFA programs with awards and expenses. Any amount is appreciated and needed!

We couldn't do this without the amazing support in Antelope County. We thank you. If you have any questions please contact Megan or Tessa.

Checks may be made out to "Antelope County 4-H Council".

Sincerely,  
The Antelope County 4-H Council

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Please return this form with your donation to:

Megan Jacob  
Antelope County 4-H Council Treasurer  
52503 850<sup>th</sup> Rd  
Neligh, NE 68756

\_\_\_\_\_ would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
(name of person or business)

If you wish to indicate the use of your donation, please indicate below.

**Suggested project area/award sponsorship:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

To guide your donation considerations, award prices are listed to the side.

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|--------------------|---|------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Rosettes:</b>   | <b>Medals</b>                           | <b>Trophies:</b> | <b>Belt Buckles:</b> |
| <b>\$10 for 3</b>  | <b>\$10 each</b>                        | <b>\$20 each</b> | <b>\$75 each</b>     |
| <b>Hand Mixer:</b> | <b>Stand Mixer, Canner, Dehydrator:</b> |                  |                      |
| <b>\$30</b>        | <b>\$100 each</b>                       |                  |                      |

## 2021 ANTELOPE COUNTY FAIR

The Antelope County Ag Society is now taking reservations for your camping spot for the 2021 Antelope County Fair. Due to the uniqueness of our campground, spots are assigned **based on the length of your camper**. All blanks must be filled in to be considered for a spot. Your form will be returned for incomplete info and you may lose a spot if this happens. There is a total of 22 camper spots. If you would like to reserve a spot the cost is \$10.

Please fill out the form below and mail it back with your payment. No spots will be reserved until form is completely filled out and payment is received. Families with children actively involved in 4-H with livestock projects have priority. After all reservations have been received you will receive your assigned spot. By signing the form below, you agree to the attached rules and regulations of the campground. If you have any questions please call the fair board office at 402-887-5252 or Char at 402-841-4689. **DO NOT** call the extension office as this is a fair board issue **NOT** a 4H issue.

Thank you for your cooperation and interest in camping during the fair. Antelope Co.

Ag Society

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have kids with livestock projects:                      yes                      no Camper

license # \_\_\_\_\_

Length of camper with hitch \_\_\_\_\_ feet

Signature of camper \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to:

**Antelope County Ag Society, POB 127, Neligh NE 68756**

### KEEP THIS PAGE IN YOUR CAMPER

The Antelope County Ag Society has implemented some rules and regulations for the campground. These rules do not apply to the city camping area. Sites are assigned based on the length of your camper. Priority is given to children in 4H with livestock projects. Tents are allowed toward the NW corner of the camping area. Please read the campground policy and **keep it in your camper** for reference during the fair.

1. Campers may be brought in only after they have registered and paid the fee. They must be in assigned spots or will be asked to move if not registered or in the wrong spot.
2. You may bring your camper **no earlier than the Monday before the fair**. This is pre-fair clean up night. This gives the city time to mow one last time before the fair begins.
3. Quiet time is from 11:00 pm to 7:00 am
4. Pets must be leashed when outside of camper or tent. Pets are NOT allowed in the buildings or the livestock areas of the fairgrounds. Service dogs are the exception. Owners must clean up after their pets
5. Campfires must be above ground in portable fire pits with a top screen. Fire must be put out before retiring for the night.
6. Maximum speed limit on the grounds is 10 mph. The driveway is one way only.
7. You are allowed one vehicle at your camper. All other vehicles must park up in the parking lot or down by the creek.
8. Bag all garbage and place in the available trash cans or dumpsters. Please keep your campsite neat and clean.
9. Respect the privacy of other campers.
10. Remember to turn off all outside lights before retiring for the night.
11. Visitors should leave by 11:00 pm, quiet time.
12. The campground and the grounds of ACAS has No severe weather shelters. Campers are responsible to seek their own shelter during severe weather.
13. No fireworks allowed.
14. Restrooms and shower facilities are in the Exhibit Building. The door on the west side of the building is open 24 hours during the fair for use of the restrooms only. Showers are available when the concession stand is open. There are showers available on the city side of the park also.
15. For questions or concerns please contact a Fair Board Officer or Director.