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## 4-H Bulletin Board - March 2022

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### Show Stock Manager Online is Now Available

A livestock nomination is the identification process for making an individual animal eligible for entry, and showing evidence that the animal is part of the youth livestock project. The nomination will add the animal to an exhibitors list of animals (4-H/FFA) for entry to State Fair.

4-H animals required to be “nominated” on Show Stock Manager for State Fair are:  
 Market Beef, Market Swine, Market Lambs, Market Goats, Breeding Beef, Breeding Swine, Breeding Sheep, and Breeding Goats. FFA Breeding Swine and FFA Feeder Calves will also need to be nominated on Show Stock Manager.

If you are new to this process, instructions can be found at:

[https://4h.unl.edu/3\\_4HPrograms/c\\_AnimalScience/2020%20Step-by-Step%20Nomination%20Instructions.pdf](https://4h.unl.edu/3_4HPrograms/c_AnimalScience/2020%20Step-by-Step%20Nomination%20Instructions.pdf)

### Virtual Companion Animal Challenge

The Virtual Companion Animal Challenge offers a variety of 4-H companion animal contests that don't require live animals, including a demonstration, essay, art, and photography contests, as well as cat trivia and dog trivia. This is an opportunity to display your companion animal knowledge through these contests both as individuals and as part of a team.

Entry forms are due by 5:00 p.m. on April 1st. Fees are \$5 per contest and a one-time \$5 office fee per exhibitor. For more information and an entry form, go to <https://4h.unl.edu/companion-animal-challenge>

### It's Time to Enroll!

Each year, you (members and leaders) must re-enroll in the 4-H program. Access the enrollment form at <https://v2.4honline.com>. If you are a returning member, you will need to sign in. If you can't remember your e-mail, select reset password. Do not create a new profile if you have registered before!

For NEW members! We can't wait for you to join us! Go to <https://v2.4honline.com> and select “Don't have an account”. Each household will have a profile, and individual members will be added under one profile. Be sure to select the correct county. If you have any trouble, please feel free to contact the office for help.

If your 4-Her plans to attend 4-H camp or participate in any state or national events, you must complete the health section.

Update your club enrollment; remember that shooting sports members need to sign up under the 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

In the Projects tab, add all projects you are considering for county fair. Projects not listed cannot be brought as a 4-H project to the fair. For more information about enrollment and picking your projects, go to <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/boone-nance/4-h-enrollment-information/>

**Under other questions, please indicate youth or adult member t-shirt size.  
 Please enroll by April 1 so the t-shirts can be ordered.**

**INVITE A FRIEND  
 TO JOIN 4-H  
 AND JOIN THE  
 FUN!**



Extension is a Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln cooperating with the Counties and the United States Department of Agriculture.

The 4-H Youth Development Program abides with the nondiscrimination policies of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the United State Department of Agriculture.



# Educational Opportunities

## APPLY NOW TO ATTEND 2022 NEBRASKA AG YOUTH INSTITUTE

Apply now to attend one of the biggest youth agriculture outreach events in the state—the Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute (NAYI). NAYI brings together high school juniors and seniors to learn more about Nebraska agriculture, network with agriculture leaders and discover the many careers available in agriculture. The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) helps sponsor and coordinate NAYI every year.

NAYI will be held at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's East Campus July 11–15, 2022. Applications for NAYI are available at <https://nda.nebraska.gov/navi> and must be submitted online. Current high school juniors and seniors interested in attending have until April 15, 2022, to apply. This year's theme is "Cultivating Connections."

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### Innovative Youth Corn Challenge

As rural communities struggle to keep young people in their communities, the Innovative Corn Challenge is a project designed to encourage youth to pursue an agricultural career and return to rural Nebraska.

#### Project Purpose:

- To achieve new and innovative crop production methods to improve yields and provide research data for producers to implement in their operations which are economically feasible.
- To disseminate data to corn producers, researchers, and agri-businesses to examine and decide whether the practices used will help their operation achieve higher yields.
- To introduce youth to a variety of agronomic professionals, including corn producers. Youth will be working with an adult to mentor them through the process. These adults could be extension faculty, ag teachers, or other qualified agronomy professionals.
- To teach youth all aspects of corn production, as well as a variety of agricultural careers related to corn production.

#### Eligibility:

4-H members (age 10 & older as of January 1st) or FFA members (in-school members) may participate. Yields, cropping history, and production information will be included in the Corn Yield Challenge management summary. (No limit on teams/county)

#### Awards/Recognition include:

1st Place Corn Challenge—\$1,000

2nd Place Corn Challenge—\$500

3rd Place Corn Challenge—\$250

CORNY Communications Award—\$200

"Extra Mile" Award—\$200

All teams will receive \$50 and a certificate of recognition.

To register go to <https://cropwatch.unl.edu/youth/cornchallenge>. Registration due March 15, 2022.

*Sponsored by: Nebraska Corn Board and Nebraska Extension*

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### Governor's Ag Excellence Award

Nebraska 4-H Foundation's Governor's Agricultural Excellence Awards sponsored by the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority (NIFA) is a prestigious award designed to recognize 4-H clubs for their efforts to serve their communities. This grant is intended to provide funding for 4-H Clubs to complete projects that will have a lasting impact on their communities. Projects should be intentional and impactful, growing club members as leaders and fulfilling a need in their community. Recognition is in the form of a \$500 grant issued to the club's treasury to be used as described in the award application form completed by the club. In order to be considered for the award, applications must be completed/submitted by April 1. For more information go to <https://www.ne4hfoundation.org/governors-ag-excellence-award/>

# Animals

## Animal & Horse ID Deadline

All animal ID forms, including beef, swine, sheep, meat goat, dairy goat, dairy, rabbit and horse, should be in the county office by May 16th to exhibit at county fair.

## Horse Level Testing Time

Level testing can be done at any time of the year. This would be an excellent time to start working on that first or next level before next year's show season.

Members or leaders with questions can contact either office for more information about what is required to pass Level testing. Remember, district horse shows are Level II. This means that Level II must be completed before district entries are accepted.

Boone & Nance County horse exhibitors must have completed their Level 1 by June 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible to compete at the 2022 county fair.

For help in preparing for your next Horsemanship Advancement Level, check out the Horsemanship Study Courses. The three online, self-paced courses progress from basic horse handling to advanced maneuvers. <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-study-courses>

## Nebraska Equine Webinar Series

Connect with Nebraska Equine every 2nd Monday of every month on Zoom.

Topics: nutrition, diseases, biosecurity, parasites, equipment, rulebook, judging, veterinary care, & conformation.

For more information visit <https://4h.unl.edu/horse/webinar-series>

[Extensionhorses.org](https://extensionhorses.org) is another resource available to youth! Extension Horses offers online classes, questions, officials and critiques for horse judging.

## Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Expo

The Fonner Park State 4-H Expo is the pinnacle experience for members of the Nebraska 4-H program. The annual event includes the State 4-H Horse Show, State 4-H Horse Judging Contest, and State 4-H Hippology Contest. Dates are July 9-13, 2022.

For more information, go to <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-expo>

## Practice Horse Judging

Check out this opportunity to practice competitive Horse Judging! Register for this course and you will have access to 6 classes to judge, along with the official placings, and an official critique.

The course became available January 15, and closes on July 15. You can access as many times as you want, and can join at anytime. Go at your own pace, whenever you wish. Go to: <https://catalog.extension.org/product?catalog=HorseJudgingContest>

Course is \$20 per person, with unlimited access.

## District and State Horse Information

- District and State Horse Entries: Due May 6, 2022
- Horse ID forms: Due to the county office by May 6, 2022

New age group/class:

Elementary Ranch Pleasure (10-11 years old)

### 2022 District Dates and Sites

June 6	Chadron
June 7	Guide Rock
<b>June 8</b>	<b>Albion</b>
June 9	Raymond
June 10	Kearney

For more information go to <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-district-shows>

## 4-H Horse Camp

June 9-11 at Fort Robinson State Park, Crawford, NE.

Brochure and registration forms available April 4.

For more information, contact Tessa Reece and 308-432-3373 or email [tessa.reece@unl.edu](mailto:tessa.reece@unl.edu)

## Husker Horse Judging Weekend!

Husker Judges School is April 30, 2022 from 1-5 pm at Lincoln East Campus in the Animal Science Complex. Register at <https://cvent.me/LbvEzN> Participants in this workshop get discounted prices for the judging contest the next day!

Husker Horse Judging Contest is May 1, 2022 at 9 am at the same location. Register at <https://cvent.me/YdNkP0> Online or paper entries accepted.



## 4-H News



### Boone County 4-H Ambassadors Chosen

The Boone County 4-H Council has selected 4-H Ambassadors for 2022. They are:

- Tristin Hooker
- Cassidy Maricle
- Brooke Brengelman

These ladies will represent 4H throughout the year including participation in local community events and 4-H county activities.

### Register for SOAR Workshop #2!

Learn from experienced clinicians provided by Platte Valley Kennel Club! For 4-H members ages 8 to 18.

Date: March 26th, 2022

Time: 1:00-4:00pm

Address: Go Dogs

2338 N 83<sup>rd</sup> St Omaha, NE 68134

Registration fee: \$25

Dog vaccination forms must be emailed prior to the workshop to Grace Kim

Please make checks payable to: UNL

Additional information provided in the registration link <https://go.unl.edu/soarreg2>

All fees must be paid by March 14th.

Clinic #3 is scheduled for April 23, 2022 in Omaha.

### Virtual Youth Meat Judging Spring Series

As AMSA explores opportunities to attract, develop, and connect meat science talent AMSA will be hosting our virtual meat judging contest series (4 virtual meat judging contests) targeted to youth (3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, 4-H, FFA students, etc.). Participants will compete in divisions based on their current grade: Youth (3rd-7th grade) and Senior Division (8th-12th grade). The contest will consist of 6 placing classes, 2 questions classes, quality grading (6) and 40 Retail Identification.

Contest Dates:

- March 16-18, 2022
- March 30-April 1, 2022
- April 13-15, 2022
- April 27-29, 2022

Top five students in each division receive scholarship awards.

Contests will be open for 48 hours and the participant must complete the contest and submit the electronic scantron within the contest time allotment.

Registration fee is \$100 per participant. To register for the virtual contests: <https://meatscience.org/students/meat-judging-program/virtual>

### UNL Livestock Judging Camp June 8-10

The UNL Livestock Judging Camp is designed for 4-H and FFA members looking to improve their livestock evaluation and oral reason skills. Activities will focus on proper evaluation with an emphasis on reasons format, terminology and presentation.

Registration is \$300 per person and includes all meals, lodging, and materials. Registration deadline: May 23, 2022 [go.unl.edu/judging-camp](https://go.unl.edu/judging-camp)

### Livestock Achievement Program

This program recognizes Members of Excellence across all 4-H livestock project areas, including beef, sheep, meat goat, swine, dairy cattle, dairy goat, rabbit & poultry. To apply, or for more information, go to <https://4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement-program>

## This & That

### Great Plains Livestock Judging Circuit

The Great Plains Livestock Judging Circuit is a lineup of contests held throughout the state giving youth the opportunity to perfect their skills in preparation for the Nebraska 4-H Premier Animal Science Event (PASE). Qualifying youth must attend a minimum of two contests in addition to the PASE livestock judging contest in order to be eligible for awards and scholarships. The top five individuals in the Senior and Intermediate divisions will be recognized as part of the All-State Team during the Grand Drive at the Nebraska State Fair.

Open to 4-H & FFA members ages 10-18. For more information, go to <https://4h.unl.edu/great-plains-livestock-judging-circuit>

### 4-H Rabbit Show, March 19

The 4-H Spring Rabbit Show will be held Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Lancaster Event Center Fairgrounds—Exhibit Hall. Registration 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.. Open to all youth ages 8-18, with a Clover Kids class for youth ages 5-7.

For more information go to <https://newsroom.unl.edu/announce/lancasterextension/13522/79137>

### Multi-State Photography Challenge

Minnesota 4-H Photography is excited to offer a photo contest to youth in grades K-13 in 12 states. In the "Hit me with your best shot" 4-H photo contest, youth are encouraged to select their best photo and tell the committee why it's special to them. Submit one image with up to three sentences on why it's important to you by 11:59 p.m. on Mar. 31, 2022.

Register here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf5ZFlijevpeCWK02WgksYePA0TByZqyRtDA>

### Haskell Ag Lab Science & Ag Family Field Day

Make plans to attend the Haskell Ag Lab (HAL) Science & Ag Family Field Day on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. The event will run from 9 am to 3 pm. This event will also celebrate 65 years of ag research and extension success at HAL. The Haskell Ag Lab is located 1 1/2 miles east of Concord, Nebraska. More information will be coming.

### Boone County Home, Farm & Garden Show

You are invited to the Boone County Home, Farm and Garden Show March 25-26 at the fairgrounds.

Saturday 9AM—4PM on display— Mobile Beef Lab and the Pierson Wildlife Museum Mobile display.

**FREE ADMISSION!**

### 4-H Horse Stampede

2022 Nebraska 4-H Horse Stampede will be here before you know it! This year's event will be held on March 26 in Lincoln. Entries are due by March 4.

More details at <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-stampede>

### Phelps County 4-H Small Animal Clinic

A 4-H Small Animal Workshop will be held in Phelps County on March 5, 2022. The event will be held at the Phelps Co Ag Center in Holdrege from 10 .m. to noon. Learn about showmanship and the care of your small animal. Please register at <https://go.unl.edu/phelpsmarchworkshop>

### Virtual & At- Home Educational Resources

Need something for the kids to do while they're out of school? Check out [4h.unl.edu/virtual-home-learning](https://4h.unl.edu/virtual-home-learning) for simple and fun hands-on activities that require minimal supplies!

Until Next Month,



Steve Pritchard  
Extension Educator



Sonya L. Glup  
Extension Associate

# Boone County 4-H Council Minutes

Monday, February 7, 2022 – 7 p.m.  
Boone County Extension Conference Room, Albion Fairgrounds

**Call to Order** - President Christo called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Members present included Greg Christo, Janet Groeteke, Joe Epperly, Brenda Pelster, Jeri Wies, Susan Staub, Scott Brengelman, Wes Stokes & Nick Kayton, Junior council members present were Cassidy Maricle & Brooke Brengelman. Staff members present were Steve Pritchard and via Zoom - Sonya Glup.

Guests present were the following Albion FFA students preparing for state competition: Aiden Nore, Alicia Weeder, Tristin Hooker and Karlie Wies who gave their Wind Energy presentation in Agriculture Issues.

**Excused Absences** – Cheryl Andreasen, Kurtis Rasmussen and Brian Maricle

**Pledges** – Cassidy Maricle led the Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

**Secretary's Report**—Minutes were read and motion was made by Kayton, seconded by Pelster to approve the minutes from the Council meeting held on January 10, 2022. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**—Treasurer's Report was reviewed and bills were submitted to Kayton. A motion was made by Kayton, seconded by Epperly to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

**Jr. Leaders Report**—Cassidy said the group met two weeks ago to write thanks-you's for the Big Give.

**Ambassador Report**— Welcome to our Ambassadors for 2022: Brooke Brengelman, Cassidy Maricle and Tristin Hooker.

## Unfinished Business:

**Council Team Fundraiser** – discussed possible dates of October 15, November 5 or November 25 for a tailgate fund raiser this fall for a Husker football or volleyball game. Pritchard will talk to Chuck Rolf as to availability of the arena.

**February is Nebraska 4-H Month** – free movie that includes a popcorn/pop. 4-H members are encouraged to bring a friend who might like to join 4-H too. The movie will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 27 at the Albion Theatre. Brengelman and Staub will be in touch with Joel Sup for movie options.

**Stalling County Fair Horses** – tabled until March meeting

**Exhibitor Shirt Sponsorship** – Farm Bureau will sponsor t-shirts again for 2022.

**West Hwy 91 4-H Sign** – Maricle has the sign and installation is in process.

## New Business:

**2022 Budget Proposal** – budget was reviewed by Council. Motion made by Epperly, seconded by Kayton to approve the 2022 budget. Motion carried.

**Governor's Ag Excellence Award (NIFA) & CPPD Grant** – there are 25 grants given each year in Nebraska. Council would like Boone County 4-H club leaders to step forward to help write a grant – Glup offered to help with the grant writing and the Ambassadors will help also. Also discussed was the generous anonymous donation given to Boone County and possible use of the funds for the purchase of more poultry cages/scale.

**2022 Fair Awards Committee** – Stokes will advise on awards/list of donors.

## County Fair 4-H Schedule of Events and Fair Book Changes

(Policy Guidelines Committee – Epperly, Christo and Rasmussen)

Goat and Sheep show will begin at 3 p.m. on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>

Beef Show will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>

Swine Show will begin at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

Livestock Judging will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

Release of animals/static exhibits will be at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

**\*All 4-H Members who are not a part of the Premium Sale held on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> will be invited to come for the Boone County 4-H member picture at 8:30 a.m. This picture is used as the cover page of the Exhibitor Guide each year and Council would like all club members to be included.**

**Council Picture** – will be taken at March meeting

**Camp/Workshop Scholarship Application** – Motion made by Stokes, seconded by Epperly to allow 4-H members participating in the Citizenship trip to the East Coast this spring to apply for the scholarship also. Motion carried.

**Summer Intern** - discussed trying to find a local citizen age 16 or older to apply for the summer internship.

**Other Business** – important for all clubs to get their year-end treasurer report turned into office. Acknowledgment of donors/volunteers to be recognized on social media platform was also discussed.

**Next 4-H Council Meeting** - Monday, March 14, 2022– 7 p.m.

## Adjournment

Kayton made the motion to adjourn and Stokes seconded it. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Groeteke, Council Secretary



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## **4-H NEWSLETTER**