



## 4-H BULLETIN BOARD

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### EXHIBITING ANIMALS AT COUNTY AND STATE FAIR

- **June 14** - DNA for breeding or market animals going to State Fair are due. DNA envelopes are available at the Extension Office. Please return to Extension Office by June 14 at 4:00 pm, as the 15th is on Saturday.
- **June 15** - Nominations due for State Fair Livestock entries online. Go to <https://showstockmgr.com> and enter any animal you are considering exhibiting at the State Fair. Nominations are not required for Rabbit and Poultry, but Rabbits must have an ear tattoo.
- **June 26 - County Fair Livestock Entry forms due by 4:00 pm.** These forms give us all the information we need for Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, and Poultry, and the number of stalls needed for Horse entries. Please list the class numbers for poultry.
- **July 1, 5:00 pm** - Nominations for Aksarben Stock Show are due online for exhibitors also going to State Fair and FFA shows. The DNA that is submitted for State Fair and FFA will be used for Aksarben, but the nomination will need to be done at <https://aksarbenstockshow.com>. (If you are ONLY going to Aksarben, you will need to get a DNA envelope there). More details on their website.
- **July 5** - YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals). If you were unable to attend one of the Instructor-Led classes, you can complete the online class at <https://yqcaprogram.org>. Be sure to bring your certificate to the Extension Office, or email a copy by July 5. Livestock exhibitors ages 8-18 before January 1 are required to take this class.

### STATIC EXHIBITS AT COUNTY FAIR

- **June 14 - Entry forms for fair exhibits due in the Extension Office by 4:30 pm.**
  - This is for static exhibits, Horse events, cat, dog, and small animal exhibits. Please use the paper forms to complete your entries. The forms are available at the Extension Office or online at the above website.
  - **June 14** - Fashion Show narrations are due at the Extension Office. Forms are also available at the Extension Office or online.
  - **June 25** - Fashion Show, Clothing Construction Interviews (schedule will be sent to families), Horticulture Judging Contest, Favorite Foods Review, Presentation Contest, Live Animal Presentations, Music Contest. See Fairbook for schedule. This is earlier than in previous years.
  - **July 2** - Check in all exhibits except Foods, Flowers, & Horticulture in the morning. Judging of these exhibits will take place in the afternoon. Bucket calf record books due. Booths will be completed.
  - **July 5** - Foods, Horticulture, and Floriculture interview judging. Entry time based on interview schedule that will be sent to families.

Please refer to the Fairbook for event and contest locations and times.

### NEW DROPBOX FOR AFTER HOURS USE

We are installing a new locking drop box for your convenience in dropping off entry forms, etc, after hours. It will be located just outside the east entrance to the Extension Office.

### BOONE COUNTY FAIRBOOKS ARE HERE! PICK YOURS UP TODAY!

Also available online at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/boone-nance/boone-county-fair-information/>  
4-H t-shirts are here! Pick yours up today!

Sponsored by the Farm Bureau.



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

# LIVESTOCK

## LIVESTOCK ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM 2024

The Nebraska 4-H Livestock Achievement Program recognizes Members of Excellence across all 4-H livestock project areas, including: beef, sheep, meat goat, swine, dairy cattle, dairy goat, rabbit, and poultry.

Youth completing the achievement program and receiving member of excellence recognition in the various species will be recognized during the Parade of Champions, 4-H weekend at the Nebraska State Fair.

Applications/Sign up are due June 15th through the application form link on the website. Plan and Reports, as well as Project Records will be due August 1 via the completion form on the website.

For more information or to apply, go to: <https://4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement>

## SHOWSTOCK MANAGER OPEN

For livestock exhibitors that are planning to enter beef, sheep, goat, or swine exhibits at the Nebraska State Fair, Showstock Manager is now open. Animals should be tagged and a DNA sample submitted to the Extension Office by June 15. EID tags and DNA envelopes are available at the Extension Office. Any retags should be reported to the Extension Office.

You will also need to obtain a Premises ID from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture at <https://nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html>. If you have made nominations in Showstock Manager in the past, you will still have an account, and your Premises ID will already be listed.

If you are new to this process, any animal that you plan to take to the Nebraska State Fair should be nominated. If they are not nominated in Showstock Manager, you will not be able to exhibit them at the State Fair.

Log in at <https://showstockmgr.com>.

## AKSARBEN NOMINATIONS

New for 2024. If you are planning to go to the Aksarben Stock Show, there is an additional step for the process - Online Nomination. This can be done at <https://aksarbenstockshow.com>, where you can find the link for online nominations.

4-H and FFA families will only need to submit one DNA envelope but will now have to submit the online nomination in two different databases.

If you have questions, please feel free to call or email the Extension Office.

## NEBRASKA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLASSIC

The Nebraska Livestock Judging Classic (NLJC) is a regional livestock judging contest for youth. The NLJC committee continues to strive to increase the interest of youth in the livestock judging program and the livestock industry including beef, sheep swine, and goats.

The NLJC will be held Friday, June 14 at the Exposition Building at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney. Registration ends Wednesday, June 12. Register at <https://www.unl.edu/nljc/nljc-registration-form>

For more information contact:

Kerry Elsen, Extension Educator  
308-236-1235 | [kerry.elsen@unl.edu](mailto:kerry.elsen@unl.edu)

## YOUTH CROP SCOUTING COMPETITION

The 2024 Youth Crop Scouting competition will be held August 7, 2024 at the ENREC near Mead, NE. Registration is due July 15th at <https://go.unl.edu/cropscoutingreg>. Youth will learn how to scout corn and soybeans, and obtain knowledge that will be helpful in future agricultural careers!

For more information, call NE Extension - Fillmore County at 402-759-3712 or email [brandy.vandewalle@unl.edu](mailto:brandy.vandewalle@unl.edu).

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- June 7-21** - Online Horticulture ID Contest. More details at <https://4h.unl.edu/online-horticulture-judging-contest>.
- June 9** - Hustler Progress Show, Cuming Co Fairgrounds, West Point. For info, call 402-380-5229 or 402-380-3194.
- June 13** - Heavy Equipment Career Exploration, Central Community College, Hastings. More info and registration link at <https://go.unl.edu/heavyequipment>
- June 13** - South Dakota Swine Summit, Brookings, SD. Register FREE by June 8 at [extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-swine-summit](https://extension.sdstate.edu/event/south-dakota-swine-summit)
- June 14** - Nebraska Livestock Judging Classic will be held at the Exposition Building at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds in Kearney. Schedule for the day and registration form can be found at <https://www.unl.edu/jljc/>
- June 15** - Nominations due for State Fair 4-H and FFA livestock entries at <https://showstockmgr.com>. DNA envelopes must be turned in to the Extension Office by June 15.
- June 15** - Perkins County Trail Riders 4-H Horse Show, Perkins County Fairgrounds, Grant, NE. For more info, call Kortnie at 308-289-9513.
- June 15** - Dawes County 4-H Progress show, Swine, Sheep, Goat & Beef. Dawes County Fairgrounds, Chadron. Call 308-432-3373 for more info.
- June 15** - Keith Co 4-H Beef Progress show, Ogallala. Contact Tessa Reece 308-284-6051, or [tessa.reece@unl.edu](mailto:tessa.reece@unl.edu)
- June 15** - Deadline to sign up for the Livestock Achievement Program at <https://4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement>
- June 16** - Red Willow County Progress Show, McCook. Contact Chelsey 308-737-7426.
- June 20-21** - Nebraska 4-H Premier Animal Science Event, Lincoln.
- June 22** - Horsemanship clinic with Rebekah Irish at the NE Stevens Indoor Arena in Lexington, and June 23 at the NE Sandhills Global Event Center in Lincoln, Contact Cindy Wolverton with any questions at 402-641-4490 or [cwolverton3@unl.edu](mailto:cwolverton3@unl.edu).
- June 22** - 38th Annual Papio Valley Livestock Show, Sarpy Co Fairgrounds, Springfield, NE. Deadline for entry will be Friday, June 14th at 11:59 pm. Link: <https://forms.gle/Jpq4MmFifQV4G5Uv6>
- June 22** - Adams County Progress Show, more info at [adams.unl.edu](https://adams.unl.edu)
- June 22** - Platte County Showmanship clinic, Ag Park Arena & Green Barn. Register and pay by June 18. Contact Blake at 402-563-4901 or [bwert3@unl.edu](mailto:bwert3@unl.edu)
- June 23** - Sheridan County Goat, Beef, Sheep, & Swine 4-H Progress Show, Gordon NE. 308-327-2312
- June 29** - Platte Valley 4 Paws Dog Show, D&N Event Center, North Platte. Deadline for entry will be Friday, June 14th at 11:59 pm. Link: <https://forms.gle/Jpq4MmFifQV4G5Uv6> or register day of show. For more information, contact Amber at [plattevalley4paws@gmail.com](mailto:plattevalley4paws@gmail.com) or 308-660-4323
- June 29** - Silver Spurs 4-H Horse Show, Chase Co Fairgrounds, Imperial. For more info: 308-883-3925.
- July 1** - Nominations due for Aksarben Stock Show at <https://aksarbenstockshow.com>. No need to send a second DNA envelope if you are nominating for Nebraska State Fair as well.
- July 6 - 10, 2024 Boone County Fair!**
- July 9** - 8th Annual Agronomy Youth Field Day at NCTA in Curtis. More info to come!
- July 13-17** - Fonner Park State 4-H Horse Show in Grand Island. Open to 8-18 year olds. More info at <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-expo-show>
- July 19-21** - NANCE COUNTY 4-H EXPO!!
- August 7 - Youth Crop Scouting Competition at the ENREC near Mead, NE. Register by July 15 at <https://go.unl.edu/cropscoutingreg>
- August 24** - 4-H State Dog Show. More info to come.

Event flyers and forms available at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/boone-nance/event-flyers/>



## MEETING DATES

### CONTESTS AT THE BOONE COUNTY FAIR

#### Sunday, June 9 - Fairgrounds

**1:00 pm** - ATV & Tractor Driving Contests

Jr Ages 11-13

Sr 14 and over

Bring a helmet

**2:00 pm** - Shotgun, Archery, Small Bore

**3:30 pm** - Bicycle Rodeo

Ages 8-11, bring your bicycle & helmet

Call the Extension Office to sign up for ATV, Tractor, and Bicycle contests by Thursday, June 6 at 4:00 pm. If you don't get signed up, you can still do these contests, but we would like to have a general idea of how many participants there will be in each contest.

#### Tuesday, June 25 - Event Center

**10:00 am** - Horticulture Judging Contest

Jr ages 11 and under

Sr ages 12 and over

(Anyone can participate in this contest)

**2:00 pm** - Presentation Contest

Followed by Live Animal Presentations

**3:00 pm** - Favorite Foods Review

**6:00 pm** - Music Contest

**(Zion Lutheran Church)**

#### Saturday, July 6 - Indoor Arena

**8:00 am** - Horse Judging Contest

Jr ages 11 and under

Sr ages 12 and over

#### Wednesday, July 10 - Indoor Arena

**10:00 am** - Livestock Judging

and Round Robin Showmanship

Jr ages 11 and under

Sr ages 12 and over

Round Robin contestants will serve as the animal handlers for the Livestock Judging Contest.

***We hope you have a great time  
at the Boone County Fair!***

### SUMMER INTERN AT BOONE COUNTY EXTENSION



**RIANA GROTELUESCHEN**

*"I am from Richland, NE where I have lived and worked on my family's farm. I am a senior at Northwest Missouri State University and expect to graduate in December. After earning my Bachelor's degree in Animal Science and minor Ag Business, I plan to attend University Nebraska - Lincoln for a Master's degree in Animal Science. Ultimately, I am ambitious to work in Nebraska Extension after graduation."*

**WELCOME TO THE TEAM, RIANA!**

### FOR NEW MEMBERS

Please stop in at the Extension Office and pick up your Fair Book, which has the fair schedule and all the possible fair entries. We also have the entry forms for you which are due June 14, and the livestock entry forms that are due June 26.

All of these resources are available online at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/boone-nance/boone-county-fair-information/>. The forms can be emailed to the office at [pam.doughty@unl.edu](mailto:pam.doughty@unl.edu).

We are happy to help you with any of the forms. Your 4-H Club leader will also have ideas for exhibit entries.

You can also pick up your 4-H t-shirt, sponsored by Farm Bureau, which you will wear to any in-person contests or Livestock events.

# SUMMER WORKSHOPS

## FOR TRADITIONAL 4-H'ERS

### Babysitting Basics

June 4, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm \$30.00  
Event Center-Fairgrounds, Albion  
BCHC and Nebraska Extension have teamed up for another session of Babysitting Basics. This session is open to youth 10-15. Bring a sack lunch!  
\*To register, call Nicole at 402-395-3165

### Sheep Care and Showmanship

June 10, 9:00 am - noon \$6.00  
Extension Office, Albion  
Join our summer intern, Riana, and learn helpful tips for the care of your 4-H sheep project. She will also cover some showmanship tips and tricks too! Youth are encouraged to bring their 4-H sheep project to the workshop. Pen space will be available.

### Terrific Tree Time

June 11, 10:00 am - 11:30 am \$5.00  
Extension Office, Fullerton  
June 11, 1:30 - 2:30 pm \$5.00  
Extension Office, Albion  
Trees are terrific and fun to explore to discover things we might never notice. You will make a "tree cookie" necklace and count rings; create a leaf coaster to learn about leaf shapes and more; make lots of observation on real tree leaves to compare differences; and explore fossilized amber (plant sap) and have a piece to take home.

### Poultry Showmanship

June 11, 7:00 - 8:00 pm \$5.00  
Fairgrounds, Fullerton  
New to showing poultry or would like to brush up on how to prepare for poultry showmanship at the fair? This workshop is for you! We will also cover how to prepare your birds to bring to the fair.

### Citizenship Fun

June 18, 9:00 am - noon \$10.00  
Nance County Veterans Museum, Fullerton  
We will be working on our citizenship skills as we make a project and gift a project to the museum. We will also be joined by Nance County Veterans and they will give some first-hand information about exhibits in the museum.

### Pie Making

June 20, 1:00 - 4:00 pm \$12.00  
Extension Office, Fullerton  
Join our summer intern, Peyton and learn about pie making. We will have all of the supplies for you and you'll leave with a freshly baked pie!

### Creating with Kam

July 2 Session 1 10:00 am - noon \$10.00  
Session 2 1:00 - 3:00 pm \$10.00

### Extension Office, Fullerton

Nance County 4-H Alumni, Kam, will be back in town for two sessions of artsy fun! More details later on exact session topics, but they're sure to be super fun and educational if Kam is involved!

## FOR CLOVER KIDS

### CK - Let's Explore Animals

June 10, 2:00 - 4:00 pm \$6.00  
Extension Office, Albion  
Join Sonya and our summer intern, Riana, and learn about animals!

### CK - STEM

June 21, 10:00 am-noon \$6.00  
Extension Office, Fullerton  
Join Sonya and our summer intern, Peyton, as we explore a STEM imagination guide and use our hands to create!

To sign up for any of these workshops, please call the Extension Office. Nance County 308-536-2691, Boone County 402-395-2158. Sign up for workshops in both counties. Enrollment will be limited, so call soon to reserve your spot.

Registration closes one week prior to the workshop, or when full.

**More workshops and activities may be added! Follow us on Facebook or watch your 4-H online email to catch up on the latest events!**



## MORE EVENTS

### TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT SAFETY TRAINING

Federal law prohibits children under 16 years of age from using certain equipment on a farm unless their parents or legal guardians own the farm. Certification received through this course grants an exemption to the law allowing 14- and 15-year-olds to drive a tractor and to do field work with certain mechanized equipment. Certification is earned by completing a Hands-On Safety Day with written test (Certification Day 1), then completing the Tractor and Equipment Safety Training with driving exam (Certification Day 2). Successful completion of Certification Days 1 and 2 will result in certification for 14 and 15 year old youth to be employed on farms and ranches.

Youth under 14 years of age can attend Certification Day 1 if accompanied by an adult. They will not be able to drive equipment, attend Day 2, or become certified. Students under 14 must still register, but will not be charged the registration fee.

Summer Schedule:

June 7 - O'Neill (Day 2 only)

June 11 & 12 - Grand Island

June 13 - Hastings (Day 2 only)

Those attending a location that only offers Certification Day 2 must complete Certification Day 1 at another location, OR complete the virtual module before attending Day 2.

For more information, visit <https://go.unmc.edu/tractor-safety-training>, or scan the QR code.



### IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN 4-H!

Members can be updated/added through June 15 to be eligible for county and state fair. The website to enroll or re-enroll is <https://v2.4honline.com>. Step-by-step instructions for enrollment for new and returning members can be found at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/boone-nance/4-h-enrollment-information/>.

If you are a returning member or family, log in with your email address and password. If you have forgotten your password, you can choose "Reset Password".

If you are a new member, you can set up your account, add each 4-H member in the family, and choose a club or clubs, and projects. Projects should be selected if families would like to receive additional information regarding project-specific reminders, such as upcoming deadlines. If you forget to select a project, you will still be able to enter it at the fair.

Keep in mind that it will not be necessary to update all the projects in 4-H Online for the Boone County fair. The entry forms for static exhibits are to be turned in by June 14, and will contain all the pertinent information.

If you are taking the horse project, be sure to select Levi's as a club and then the horse project.

If you plan to attend a 4-H camp or participate in any state event or activity, you must complete the health section. All other 4-Hers may skip over the health information. Then complete the consent section.

If you need help enrolling, we would be happy to help you! Feel free to come to the office for assistance!

**BOONE COUNTY FAIRBOOKS ARE HERE!  
PICK YOURS UP TODAY!**

**(You'll need it to complete your entry forms).**

**Entry forms are due June 14 for Static Exhibits,  
Horse, Cat, Dog, and small animals.**

**Until Next Month,**



Steve Pritchard  
Extension Educator  




Sonya L. Glup  
Extension Associate  


# BOONE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

Monday, May 20, 2024 – 7 p.m.

Boone County Extension Conference Room – Albion

**Call to Order** - President Susan Staub called the monthly meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Members present included Janet Groeteke, Kally King, Jacyn Frey, Wes Stokes, Nick Krohn, Dave Hilmer, Brenda Pelster, Bethany Preister and Kate Maricle. Staff members present were Steve Pritchard and Intern Riana Grotelueschen. Guest present was Cassidy Maricle.

**Excused Absences** - Mitch Koch, Chris Nelson, Scott Brengelman, and Matt Schriver. Motion made by Krohn seconded by Preister to approve the excused absences. Motion carried.

**Pledges** – President Staub led the Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

**Secretary's Report** - Minutes were read and motion was made by Pelster, seconded by Frey to approve the minutes from the Council meeting held on April 8, 2024. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** - Financial report given by Pelster. Motion made by Frey, seconded by Stokes to approve treasurer report. Bills for payment submitted by Pritchard. Motion made by Hilmer, seconded by Frey to approve payment of bills. Motion carried.

**Junior Leader Report** - Cassidy Maricle was present to ask for help from the Council setting up panels and dropping extension cords down on Thursday evening, May 23rd for the Arama livestock shows on Memorial Day weekend. Signature card for writing checks still needs to be completed by the Jr. Leaders Committee.

## Unfinished Business

- 1. Summer Workshops**  
Flier of upcoming summer workshops was reviewed. Susan will talk to the Ambassadors about helping Sonya out where needed.
- 2. Animal ID Deadline Reminder**  
County Fair deadline is May 15th and State Fair deadline is June 15th.
- 3. LVC Horse Show**  
Show is June 2nd. Hilmer and Brengelman are taking care of details.
- 4. YQCA Update**  
All 4-H members exhibiting livestock at the Boone County Fair and the State Fair must complete training (including the pre and post-tests online) to receive their certificate of completion.
- 5. Memorial Weekend Livestock Shows**  
All Council members available to help are needed.
- 6. Jr. Camp Update**  
Pritchard gave update – a couple of counselors are still needed.
- 7. Broiler Project Update**  
Broilers were ordered and should arrive this week.
- 8. Summer Intern Position**  
Pritchard introduced Riana Grotelueschen the Extension intern. She is from Colfax County and is a senior at Northwest Missouri State University majoring in Animal Science and will be working towards her master's degree after undergraduate studies are complete. The Council welcomes Riana to the team!
- 9. County Fair Update**  
Electrical work in the horse barn started today.
- 10. 4-H Shirts (Locos)**  
Locos will be closing this summer – other vendors were discussed for apparel and trophies.

## Committee Reports

- 1. Awards** – Frey, Stokes, Nelson, and Koch. Frey presented several options for awards to the council. More details will be discussed at June meeting.
- 2. Fund Raising** – tabled
- 3. Ambassador** – Staub will discuss with Ambassadors (Choat, Maricle and Donelson) the help needed for summer workshops.
- 4. Shooting Sports Contest – Tractor/ATV/Bicycle**  
All available council members are needed to help set up at noon on Sunday, June 9th at noon. Tractor/ATV – 1pm, Shooting Sports – 2 pm, Bicycle – 3:30 pm. Pritchard will contact Nick Kayton about equipment and Krohn offered to chalk the lines for Tractor/ATV contests.
- 5. Scholarship** – Krohn, Pelster, and Nelson. Staub reported that the committee decided to give all 15 scholarship applicants financial assistance for Jr. Camp in the amount of \$66 each. Motion made by Krohn, seconded by Stokes to approve this scholarship assistance. Motion carried.
- 6. Other** – nothing to report

## New Business

- 1. Livestock Sales Promotion Letter** - will add that lunch will be served following the premium sale. Staub will talk to potential donors.
- 2. Other Business** – None

**Upcoming Meetings** – June 17th at 7 p.m. and August 19th (post-fair meeting)

**Adjournment** - Motion made by Hilmer, seconded by Preister to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Groeteke Council Secretary



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**4-H NEWSLETTER**