

BUFFALO COUNTY 4-H

HAPPY
Independence
DAY



July 2023

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CALENDAR



UPCOMING DEADLINE

July 7 - Pre-fair ONLINE entries for STATIC and ANIMAL exhibits are due

July

- 5-6 Lamb & Goat Camp
- 7 Pre-Fair ONLINE Entries Due
- 9 Lottery Goat meeting 5 p.m.
- 10 Lottery Pig meeting 6 p.m.
- 11 Lottery Sheep meeting 6 p.m.
- 13 Deadline to sign up for Fashion Show
- 20 Fashion Show - UNK
- 25-31 Buffalo County Fair

August

- 2-3 BRAG
- 22 4-H Council meeting
- 25 - Sept. 4 Neb. State Fair
(4-H is 1st weekend, FFA is 2nd)



Fair Season is here!

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING OUR
BUFFALO COUNTY 4-HERS' EXHIBITS!

Buffalo County Fair is coming!!!

To see the 2023 Buffalo County 4-H schedule and 4-H Premium Book, visit <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/fair-premium-book>.

**QUESTIONS? OR TO SIGN UP TO FILL A NEED,
CALL THE EXTENSION AT 308-236-1235**

Static interview judging sign-up begins July 5

A chance to talk to the judge about your 4-H project may be an opportunity to gain more knowledge in the project area or it can be a time to explain the trials or triumphs of your experience.

How to sign up:

- On or after July 5, call the Extension
- Each exhibitor can choose **3** time slots with a Static judge
- Each exhibitor can choose **1** time slot with a Horticulture judge

*Thank You
Volunteers*

Volunteers needed at fair

4-H static exhibit judging would not be possible without the help of dedicated volunteers. Helping with static entry is a great way to gain insight on judge's expectations and discover project ideas for next year. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Extension office or Jordan Wilbur (jordan.wilbur@unl.edu).

See below for how you can help:

Static Exhibit Entry

- **Tuesday, July 25 from 4-7 p.m.**
- 20 to 25 adults and youth (age 12 and up)
- Duties include checking in and organizing 4-H static exhibits

Static Exhibit Entry & Judging

7 a.m. to whenever

- **Food Entry - Wednesday, July 26 7-8 a.m.**
- **Horticulture Entry - Wed., July 26 7-9:30 a.m.**
- 40 to 50 adults and youth (age 12 and up) at different times throughout the day
- Duties include checking-in and organizing static exhibits, preparing judge score sheets, display exhibits

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Release exhibits and clean up

- Sunday, July 30 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.
- 10 to 15 adults and youth (age 12 and up)
- Duties include grouping exhibits by name and tearing down displays



Sign up to help with 4-H Food Stand & Lunch Line

4-H families, independent members and clubs are needed to work one or more shifts at the 4-H Food Stand in the Ag Pavilion during the Buffalo County Fair, July 26 through July 31. Three adults and three youth (age 10 and up) are needed for most shifts. Extra help is especially needed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday when the lunch line is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign up for shifts individually or as a club. Anyone who works in the stand or line must have closed-toed shoes - no flip flops are allowed. Sign up by calling, stopping in the office or emailing jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu.

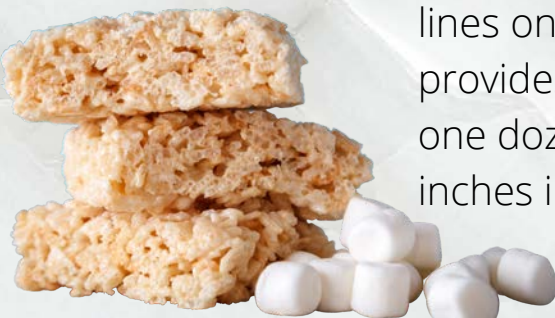
Brownies

Lunch Line dessert bars needed

Scotch-a-roos

Rice Krispie treats

Homemade dessert bars will be served as a part of the lunch lines on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We ask that each club provides 7 dozen dessert bars and independent members bring one dozen bars. All bars should be cut approximately 3X3 inches in size and individually wrapped.



cereal bars

cookie bars

Lucky Charms bars

Please bring your dessert bars to the 4-H Food Stand in the Ag Pavilion:

- Clubs or individuals working the food stand on Wednesday should bring their bars with them the day of their shift
- All other clubs and individuals can bring their bars on Thursday by 10 a.m.



**STRONGER
TOGETHER**

Attention Horse Exhibitors

There will be open riding in the arena for horse exhibitors on Sunday, July 23 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



Pie & Decorated Cake Auction

5:30 p.m. July 27 at 4-H Exhibit Building

The Buffalo County FCS Project Action Team will sponsor a Pie and Decorated Cake Auction at the 2023 Buffalo County Fair. The top two junior and senior decorated cake and pie entries in the "Discovering Pies" and "Cooking 401" project areas will be eligible for auction to the highest bidder.

To be eligible, youth must be an enrolled 2023 Buffalo County member, 4-H age of 8-18, enrolled in the "Discovering Pies", "Cooking 401" or "Decorated Cake" project areas, and have met all project entry criteria and deadlines. In addition, the pie or cake must be sold by the 4-H owner who entered it. If the 4-H member is not present for the auction, they are not eligible to participate. Only one item per 4-H member is eligible for auction.

One-half of the money raised per pie/cake will go to the pie owner and the other half will go to the Buffalo County 4-H Council scholarship fund and the FCS Project Action Team in order to fund local FCS programs. To ensure success in selling your pie, talk to businesses, family members or other interested people. Extend a personal invitation to the auction and explain its importance.



Attention exhibitors who win awards

Grand/Reserve Champions, Champion/Reserves, and Outstanding winners will be responsible for placing their order online by August 7th. Each winner will be receiving an envelope, with instructions, after they have won their class. There will be options to pick one award. **If the winners don't select and place an order, they will NOT receive an award.**

**MAKING THE BEST
BETTER**



Buffalo County

Attention Breeding animal exhibitors

If you are exhibiting breeding animals at the Buffalo County Fair, you will need to provide a copy of the animal's registration papers to the Extension office OR you will be required to present the papers at check-in time in order to exhibit the animal in its breed class. If no papers are presented, the animal will only be eligible for a Commercial class. We will be glad to make a copy if you stop in or you can email a copy to jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu.

Premise IDs needed to show at fair

Any new members, or anyone that has moved, showing a Market animal will need to have a premise ID. To obtain one, visit <https://nda.nebraska.gov/adt/premises.html> and complete the registration form. You may also call the Nebraska Department of Ag at 402-471-2351 and you will be asked the address where the livestock are being housed. Please call 308-236-1235 or email jenny.kreikemeier@unl.edu with the number.



Want deadline reminders?

Want to stay in contact & get updates during fair?

Follow the directions to get Remind Notifications. To join the general group, send a text that says @bc4hgen to 81010. In this group you will be getting notifications such as: *Online fair entries due Friday, July 1 or Check-in times for FOODS is Wednesday, July 20 from 7 - 8 a.m.*

We have other groups to join for animal classes, if you joined last year you will not need to rejoin.

TO JOIN: Select the updates you want to receive and send the adjacent message to 81010

General updates text @bc4hgen

Goat updates text @goatshow3

Horse updates text @horseshow3

All Beef updates text @allbeef4h

Poultry updates text @poultrybc2

Rabbit updates text @rabbitbc3

Sheep updates text @sheepshow2

Small Animal updates text @smallanim3

Swine updates text @swineshow4



4-Hers can help make their Livestock Auction a success

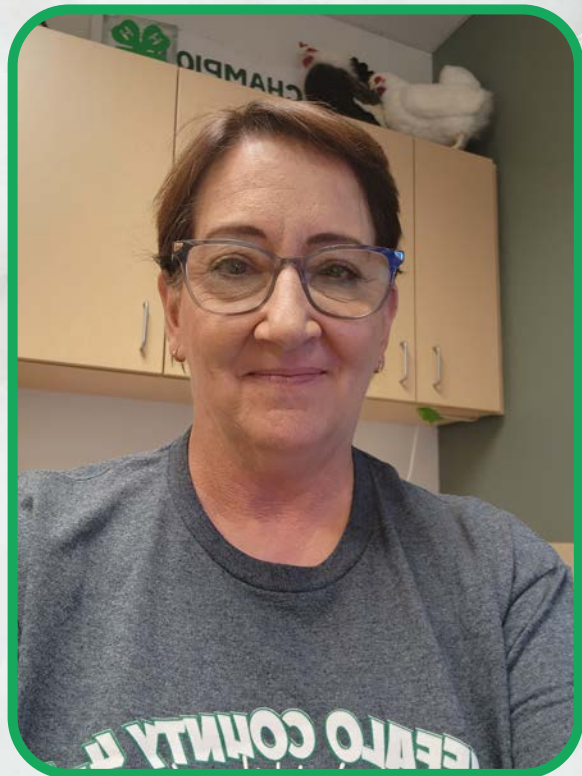


The Livestock Auction committee is asking each exhibitor to contribute to the success of the Premium-only auction during the Buffalo County Fair by inviting potential buyers to the auction.

Ways to reach potential buyers:



- Make a simple invitation to your buyer from last year or previous years
- Send an invitation to anyone your family does business with, such as your doctor or auto mechanic
- Drop off a plate of cookies to a local business asking them to consider attending the auction and explain to them how they can be involved with the auction without purchasing an animal



WELCOME TO BUFFALO COUNTY EXTENSION!

Please join us in welcoming Kathy Andrews as our new office support staff!



Kathy can be reached at kandrews7@unl.edu

How to register static exhibits

All non-animal exhibits are called static exhibits. To exhibit in the 4-H project areas, members MUST have pre-entered the project online by the July 7 deadline.

Every exhibit will need to have a static tag which will be tag that is visibly displayed with your project. Static tags can be picked up at the Extension office any time.

Static tags will also be available at check in, but it's easier to have them filled out ahead of time. You will also need to create your own label to place on the bottom or back side of your exhibit with exhibitor name just in case your static tag gets separated from your project. See Check-In times below:

Static Exhibit Entry Day for "Everything"

Tuesday, July 25 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Static Exhibit Entry Day for "Foods ONLY"

Wednesday, July 26 from 7 to 8 a.m.

Static Exhibit Entry Day for "Horticulture ONLY"

Wednesday, July 26 from 7 to 9:30 a.m.



How to Fill Out an Entry Tag



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Nebraska County

4-H STATIC EXHIBIT ENTRY TAG

Use pen & press down hard

C 2 6 1 0 0 2
Class Number

Original Oil Painting
Class Name

Describe Project Ex: Sunset painting

Description of Article
Portfolio Pathways

Division
Pocket

Exhibitor's Last Name
Polly

Exhibitor's First Name

Article to be Interview Judged? Yes No

Age of exhibitor 15 Years in 2
Jan. 1 this year this project

Official Use

Ribbon

PA W R B P SF

Fair Book Example

Found online at <https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/>

PORTFOLIO PATHWAYS
Use techniques from manual or comparable techniques. Attach information to explain steps taken. Information must also include element or principle of design used. (p. 8-9)

*Denotes State Fair Entry

Purple, S3; Blue, S2.50; Red, S2; White, S1.50

*C261001 Original acrylic painting based on techniques learned in Unit I of Portfolio Pathways, framed and ready to hang (p. 12-13).

*C261002 Original oil painting based on techniques learned in Unit I of Portfolio Pathways, framed and ready to hang (p. 26-33).

*C261003 Original watercolor based on techniques learned in Unit I of Portfolio Pathways, framed and ready to hang (p. 14-17).

*C261004 Original sand painting based on techniques learned in Unit I of Portfolio Pathways, framed and ready to hang (p. 20-21).

*C261005 Original encaustic painting based on techniques learned in Unit I of Portfolio Pathways, framed and ready to hang (p. 34-35).

*C261006 Home accessory made with any printing technique in Pathways Unit II (p. 36-56).

*C261007 Original Mixed Media Accessory - An art exhibit using a combination of two or more different media or materials. One media must be included in another Portfolio Pathways class (ex. Watercolor and graphite).

*C261008 Nebraska Life Exhibit - An art exhibit using one of the techniques in the above classes to show how art can define a sense of place or life in Nebraska. For example - solar printing; making prints using shed snakeskin or plant; an acrylic, oil; watercolor painting of scenes of your community or the surrounding area; or using objects from nature to make the painting. Include the required information listed above and how this project represents Nebraska life.

Interview judging allows you to talk to your judges about your project. Mark if you signed up for it. If time slots are available, you may sign up on Entry day as well.

Reminders

Do you have your supporting information filled out? And is it ready to attach to your project?



*Sincerely,
Kerry Elsen -
Extension
Educator &
Jordan Wilbur
- 4-H
Assistant*

Youth Crop Scouting Competition



AUGUST 2, 2023

**EASTERN NEBRASKA RESEARCH &
EXTENSION CENTER
Near Mead, NE**

Open to youth who have completed 5-12th grades

Registration and set-up begins at 8:15am and the
contest will wrap up around 1:00 p.m.

Registration due July 15th

REGISTER AT:

<https://go.unl.edu/cropscouting>

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Update

A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Update Session is scheduled for Saturday, August 19 at the Sportsman Club near West Point. The early bird deadline to register is August 9th with a discounted price of \$30. Late registration fee, after August 9th, is \$50. Fee includes program materials and lunch on Saturday but does not include lodging. The update is for enrolled adult or apprentice volunteer instructors who received their training in 2017 or before. These are an update for existing instructors, NOT a training for new instructors. Discipline updates will include rifle, shotgun, archery, and pistol. Find out more information at <https://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports#calendar1>.

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification

A Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop is scheduled for August 19-20 at the Sportsman Club near West Point. Volunteers will have the opportunity to become certified as an adult (21 years and older) or apprentice (14-20 years old) leader. Rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery will be offered. The registration fee is \$85 per person for initial certification or those individuals adding an additional discipline except for Apprentice Instructors. The registration fee for Apprentice Instructors (14 to 20 years of age) is \$75 for this workshop. The late registration fee is \$150 for both levels. This fee includes meals, supplies and program materials. There are a series of four National 4-H Shooting Sports online modules which individuals MUST complete prior to the training to become eligible for certification. Find out more at <https://4h.unl.edu/shooting-sports>.