



January 2020

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**Happy New Year!**



**Calendar of Events**

**January**

- 01 Extension Office Closed/New Year's Day
- 10 Omaha Fashion Week, Student Night, Deadline
- 12 Young Leaders Meeting, Extension Building
- 15 NACEB Scholarship Application Due
- 17-19 Catch a Calf @ Stock Show, Denver, Colo.
- 20 Extension Office Closed/Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 25 Beef Weigh-in/Tagging - Huss Livestock Market 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- 28 4-H Council Mtg, 6 p.m.
- 31 4-H Club Year-End Treasurer's Report Due
- 31 Special Garden Project Sign-Up Due

**February**

- Nebraska 4-H Month
- 11 Family & Consumer Science Project Action Team, 5:30 p.m.
  - 11 Project Action Team Meeting, 7 p.m.
  - 15 Nebraska Cattlemen's Classic Livestock Judging Contest
  - 17 Extension Office Closed/President's Day
  - 25 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
  - 25 Omaha Fashion Week, Student Night

**March**

- 01 State and Local Scholarship Applications Due
- 01 NIFA Grant Applications Due
- 06 Horse Stampede Entries Due
- 07 Beginning Sewing Workshop
- 07 Shooting Sports Pancake Feed
- 08 Young Leaders Meeting, Extension Building
- 09 BB Gun Fair Shoot
- 10 Air Rifle & Air Pistol Fair Shoot
- 09-10 BRAG Meeting
- 16 4-H Shooting Sports potluck & awards
- 18 Chick Days, UNL
- 19 STEM Workshop, 1 p.m. 4 p.m., Ravenna Library
- 24 4-H Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 28 Horse Stampede/Companion Animal Challenge Entries Due UNL East Campus
- 28 State BB Gun Shoot
- 31 Registrations due for County Speech and PSA's.
- TBD 4-H Dog Information Meeting, @ 5:30 p.m.
- TBD Innovative Youth Corn Challenge Entry Deadline
- TBD Shotgun/Trap Fair Shoot
- TBD Archery/Shotgun Organizational Meeting

*-Event details listed in newsletter-*

**Enclosed: 2020 Buffalo County 4-H Calendar**

*\*Dates are subject to change, and the most updated copy can be found online: [buffalo.unl.edu](http://buffalo.unl.edu)*

## 4-H Enrollment

The 2019-2020 4-H year has begun, youth and volunteers can start enrolling in 4-H by going online to <https://ne.4honline.com>. To enroll, sign in with the email address that was used last year to login to your family profile and enroll. If you forgot your password, select the "I forgot my password" button. If new to 4-H, create a family profile, that lists all the members of your family involved in 4-H, by selecting the "I need to setup a profile" button. These instructions are on the website listed above, and the Buffalo County 4-H website: [buffalo.unl.edu](http://buffalo.unl.edu).

The annual enrollment fee for Clover Kids is \$5. Clover Kids are youth ages five to seven, as of January 1, 2020. The annual enrollment fee for traditional 4-H members is \$10. Traditional 4-H members are youth ages eight to eighteen, as of January 1, 2020. There is a family enrollment fee maximum of \$30. Payments in the form of cash or check can be dropped off or mailed to the Extension Office. Payments made online are done through this website: [squareup.com/market/buffalo-county-4-h-council](http://squareup.com/market/buffalo-county-4-h-council).



## Club Leaders

Attention Club Leaders, your 2019 treasurer's report is due to the office by January 31<sup>st</sup>. They were mailed. Please contact Elizabeth at [elizabeth.cast@unl.edu](mailto:elizabeth.cast@unl.edu) if you need a copy of the form.

## Market Beef Weigh-In/Tagging

### Market Beef Weigh-In and Tagging

Market Beef weigh-in and tagging is scheduled for the following day and times:

**Saturday, January 25, 2020**  
**9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
**Huss Livestock Market**  
**1202 W 19<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Kearney, NE 68845**

At tagging and weighing, please remember to complete a market beef ownership affidavit. On the affidavit, you must completely write in your animals complete EID tag number, and identify the animal. State Fair animals must submit DNA and BVD samples to compete. DNA envelopes and BVD vials will be available at tagging.

All market beef animals will be tagged with an 840 EID Tags. There will be no separate county fair-only tags. The following will be costs at tagging and weighing. Please make sure to bring along cash or check to make these payments.

- Tags: \$3.00 each
- BVD: \$3.50 each

*Special thanks to M & M Feeders and Huss Livestock Market for use of their facilities!*

## Shooting Sports

**Nebraska 4-H Shooting Sports  
Leader Certification Workshop**  
**Saturday – Sunday, January 18-19, 2020**  
**Registration Deadline: January 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Nebraska Game and Parks**  
**Outdoor Education Center, Lincoln**

*Contact the Extension Office for more information*

4-H Volunteers have the opportunity to become certified as an adult (age 21 and above) or apprentice (age 14-20) leader in shooting sport disciplines. Four project areas will be offered at the Lincoln Workshop, they include rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery. Workshop participants will learn under expert instruction from members of the Nebraska State 4-H Shooting Sports Training Team.

**More Information:** [tinyurl.com/NEShootingSports](http://tinyurl.com/NEShootingSports)

**Questions?** Steve Pritchard: 402-395-2158 or 308-536-2691.

*If unable to attend this workshop, but would like to become certified, the next shooting sports certification workshop will be April 4-5<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at the Holt County Fairgrounds. For more information go to [tinyurl.com/NEShootingSports](http://tinyurl.com/NEShootingSports).*

## 2020 District Horse Shows

2020 Nebraska 4-H District Horse Shows are scheduled for the following dates and locations:

Date	Location
Monday, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Scottsbluff
Tuesday, June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Burwell
Wednesday, June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus
Thursday, June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lincoln
Friday, June 19 <sup>th</sup>	McCook

4-H members may compete at any District Horse Show location of their choosing. All level testing required for participating must be completed by Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. All district and State Fair horse entries will be due to County Extension office by May 8<sup>th</sup>.

## 4-H Trail Clinic

**4-H Trail Clinic**  
**Buffalo County Fairgrounds**  
**February 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Registration Deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Space is limited.**

Micah Hansen, will be putting on a trail clinic at the Buffalo County Fairgrounds on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. There

will be a beginner, intermediate, and two advanced classes. The maximum riders for each section is 3. The beginner trail class is from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. The intermediate trail class is from 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. The first advanced trail class is from 12:30- 2:00 p.m. The last advanced trail class is from 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

More information can be found on our website [extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/4-h-trail-clinic/](https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/buffalo/4-h-trail-clinic/). Please contact the extension office to sign up by January 15<sup>th</sup> at 308-236-1235.

## CWF Fundraiser Thank You

Thank you to the 4-H members and their families who made the 2019 CWF Fundraiser a success! Fundraiser participants have been mailed a letter that states their fundraiser profit.

## Omaha Fashion Week

### Applications are due January 10th.

Omaha Fashion Week has grown to the nation's 5th largest fashion event. In addition to supporting more independent fashion designers than any other organization in the region, Omaha Fashion Week supports young fashion designers by providing mentoring, educational opportunities, and a professional platform to showcase work.

Nebraska 4-H is once again partnering with Omaha Fashion Week during their Spring Showcase. OFW Student Night will take place on **Tuesday, February 25, 2020** and will exclusively feature student designers, including a 4-H collection. This collection will consist of 10 to 12 garments from across the state. Each garment will be modeled by the 4-H member who made it. In order to create a complete and dynamic collection, interested 4-H members are invited to apply to participate in the show. The 4-H collection will be curated based upon the selection criteria as listed below.

### Student Night Details:

When: Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Where: Omaha Design Center (near TD Ameritrade Park in Omaha)

Hair and Make-up will be scheduled for all models starting at 2:00 p.m.

Runway rehearsal will take place at 5:30 p.m. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. and will end around 9:30 p.m.

Tickets for the event are free to students who show their Student ID or are \$10 for non-students. For more information about Omaha Fashion Week or to purchase tickets to this night or the entire week, visit

<https://omahafashionweek.com/tickets>

### Selection Criteria:

- Participants must be current 4-H members.
- Garments must be constructed by the 4-H member, not purchased.
- Preference will be given to full garments constructed by the 4-H member.

- Garments should be fashion forward, runway appropriate and display high quality construction.
- Creativity and attention to detail are highly scrutinized in garment selection.

### To Apply:

Complete the following application form:

<https://go.unl.edu/ofw2020>

*Note: Photos submitted of the 4-H member wearing the garment are recommended in the application.*

## Special Garden Project

### 4-H Special Garden Project Signup

*Notify the Extension Office by Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>*

This year the Special Garden Project is focused on the unique Classic Magic Bachelor Button. Classic Magic Bachelor Buttons are a unique mix of plum, purple, and bicolor flowers. Not only do the flowers attract beneficial insects, the flowers are edible as well.

4-H members who participate in the special garden project receive a 'packet' Classic Magic Bachelor Button in April/May; a newsletter on planting and growing Classic Magic Bachelor Button, Classic Magic Bachelor Button problems and insects, harvesting and using Classic Magic Bachelor Button, and Classic Magic Bachelor Button exhibiting dies. Youth will have the opportunity to enter this unique flower at the County and State Fair. Classic Magic Bachelor Button is eligible to be exhibited in the fresh cut flowers class and project participants can also exhibit an educational poster or report. The estimated cost to participate is \$0.50 per packet.

To participate, youth need to be enrolled in 4-H and in the special garden project area. Please notify the Extension Office by Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 if you want to participate, so the Extension Office can order you seeds.

## Upcoming Shows & Clinics

- **4-H Trail Clinic**  
February 1<sup>st</sup>  
Buffalo County Fairgrounds, Kearney
- **NCC Judging Contest**  
February, 15<sup>th</sup> 7 a.m. Check in  
Buffalo County Fairgrounds, Kearney
- **Horse Advancement Level 3&4 Workshop**  
March 8<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Animal Science Complex, Lincoln
- **Chick Days**  
March 14<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Animal Science Complex, Lincoln
- **Horse Stampede**  
March 28<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m.  
Animal Science Complex, Lincoln
- **Companion Animal Challenge**  
March 28<sup>th</sup>  
Animal Science Complex, Lincoln

- **Annual Youth Animal Science Field Day**  
May 28<sup>th</sup>  
Curtis, NE
- **NCTA Livestock Judging Contest/Camp**  
May 27<sup>th</sup>  
Curtis, NE

## Scholarships & Awards

### *2020 Nebraska 4-H Foundation Scholarship Due January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

The Nebraska 4-H Foundation provides 4-H members the opportunity to apply for scholarships.

**All scholarship applications must be submitted via the Annual Achievement Application.**

For guidelines and more information, please view our website [www.ne4hfoundation.org/scholarships/](http://www.ne4hfoundation.org/scholarships/). Completed applications must be sent to [4HAchieves@unl.edu](mailto:4HAchieves@unl.edu).

*Save  
the date!*

### **Save The Date**

#### **2020 Enrollment Deadline**

Wednesday, May 1, 2020

#### **2020 PASE**

Monday, June 22 – Tuesday, June 23, 2020

#### **2020 Buffalo County Fair**

Tuesday, July 21, 2020 - Tuesday, July 28, 2020

#### **2020 Nebraska State Fair**

Friday, August 28, 2020 – Monday, September 7, 2020

Sincerely,

*Kerry Elsen*

Kerry Elsen, Extension Educator

