



Clay County 4-H

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Late June/July 2023

Fair time is upon us!

In this newsletter you will find some important reminders and information about our upcoming County Fair!

- Food Stand Schedule is included
- Fair Schedule
- Auction reminder, and species order
- Woodchips
- Release time for exhibits
- Other information and reminders!

"Country Days & American Ways"

Fashion show, Music contest, and Favorite Foods contest:

Pre-Fair contest will be held June 29th at the Clay Center Christian Church. Clothing entry will begin at 8:30 am. Modeling will begin at 9:00am. Favorite Foods set up will be at 1:00pm and contest will begin at 1:30pm. Fashion Revue Style show and Music/ Performing arts contest will be at 7:30pm.

Dog Show:

The 4-H Dog show will be held on July 20th in Nelson at the Nuckolls county fairgrounds at 10:00 AM. This year the dog show will be a three county show, consisting of Clay, Nuckolls, and Fillmore counties. All dogs must be up to date on vaccination for distemper, hepatitis, parvo, as well as rabies. **Proof of vaccination will need to be turned in with pre-entry that were due June 15th.**

Livestock barn woodchips/bedding:

CPI is sponsoring 3 bags of woodchips per family in the sheep/swine barn. Exhibitors will have to provide any extra's that they will want. Woodchips are provided in the Beef barn, as they have been in the past years. Exhibitor's are also expected to clean pens at the conclusion of fair!

Entry check-in and Release times:

Static entries can be checked-in on Tuesday July 11th from 6:00-8:30pm or on Wednesday morning from 8:00-10:00am. Livestock and poultry/rabbits can also be brought Tuesday night, but will not be checked-in until their designated time on Wednesday morning. Static Entries will be released at the conclusion of fair on Saturday from 7:00-9:00pm. Livestock and Poultry/Rabbits will be released at 4:00pm.

Animal Health and Safety:

If your animal becomes sick or injured during the county fair, we ask that you let the Clay County Extension Staff and Livestock Superintendents know of the situation. If sickness or injury is severe, animals can be dismissed early or temporarily leave the grounds to seek medical care, however permission must be granted first.

Auction:

The auction will be on Saturday, July 15th at 3:00pm. Please remember to fill out the google form if you have not. You will be asked at check in to confirm your intentions. This years auction order will be: Swine, Beef, Sheep, then Goats. Youth are encouraged to thank the buyer of their animal! Auction/Truck animals will load FIRST. All other livestock returning home will need to wait until auction/truck animals are loaded. We also ask that you refrain from cleaning your pens until the conclusion of the auction. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter. South Central Cattlemen will also be doing their Steak sandwiches as well again.

Herdsmanship:

Herdsmanship is providing quality, responsible care of our livestock animals by doing the following: feeding & watering on a timely schedule, grooming the animal, keeping their pen (stall) clean with fresh bedding, show respect and consideration for ALL livestock, keep aisles clean and clutter-free, as well as educate the public on the care, training and showing of livestock. It is the youth's responsibility to ensure that their animals are safe, clean, and well cared for during the duration of county fair. Youth are judged twice a day, either as a club or as individuals if an independent 4-H member. Herdsmanship results will be posted each day in the livestock office in the beef barn. For a complete list of all Herdsmanship rules and guidelines, refer to page 44 of the fairbook.

"I Belong" Award:

****NEW AWARD** -4-H Members are encouraged to celebrate the diversity, inclusivity, and self-realization they have found through 4-H projects and expressed in a 4-H exhibit. Youth will be recognized for static exhibits that incorporate and/or demonstrate: Concepts of self-reflection and explorations of one's own heritage, culture, and cultural lens. Applications of knowledge including advocating for others in all curriculum areas.

Examples of Exhibits:

A heritage exhibit that shows cultural heritage or origin (Youth could explore their German heritage in a traditional artwork, or family genealogy notebook)

A club project that exhibits how you belong to a 4-H club.

A baked product that is made from a family recipe (baking some Kolaches from a family recipe that have been handed down from past generations.

Applications are due to the Clay County Extension Office by July 12th. Youth who participate will receive a Certificate of Achievement. More information and applications can be found at clay.unl.edu. State Winners will be announced this fall.

If you have questions about this award, please contact Holli Alley.

Applications can be found online at clay.unl.edu

Food Stand:

Food stand schedule is included. PLEASE, come work at your assigned time. In order to have a successful food stand, we need everyone to do their part. We did our best to work around times that are ideal for exhibitors and different shows. Each family is asked to bring two (more are welcome) pies.

Pre-paid food stand cards:

Pre-paid food stand cards can be purchased anytime now through the fair. You determine the amount of money loaded on the card, and use as needed at the food stand. If there is a balance at the end of fair, you will be reimbursed. Regular debit/credit cards can not be accepted at the food stand. These cards are very handy and convenient to have!

2023 Fair 4-H Schedule:

Tuesday July 11th:

-Early entry/ check-in for static exhibits 6:00-8:30pm

Wednesday July 12th:

-Enter/Check in all exhibits- Static and Livestock 8:00-10:00am

-Weigh-in livestock:

- Beef 8:00-10:00am
- Sheep/Goats 9:00-10:00am
- Swine 10:00-11:00am

-Bucket Calf Record books due 11:00am

-Rabbit Show 11:00am

-Poultry Show 2:00pm

-Bucket Calf interviews (Sign up for a time at weigh-in)

-Bucket Calf Show 5:30pm

Thursday July 13th:

-Swine Show 8:30am

-Check-in for Horse events 10:00am

-Horse show

- Open show 12:00pm
- 4-H show~12:30 (following open class)

-Rainbow Classic Pet Show-5:30pm

Friday July 14th:

-Beef Show 8:30am

- Check-in feeder calves by 8:00am

-Sheep Show 1:00pm

-Meat Goat Show following Sheep show

-Round Robin Showmanship 6:00pm

Saturday July 15th:

-Round Robin Written test 9:00am

-Cat and Small Animal Show 9:30pm

-Beef fitting contest 10:30am

-Round Robin awards 2:50pm

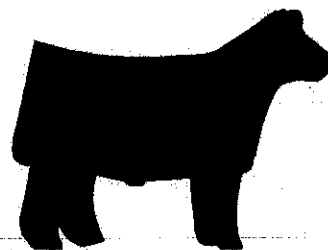
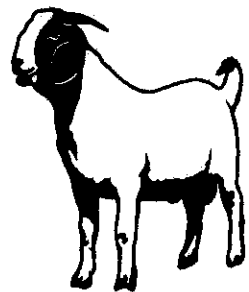
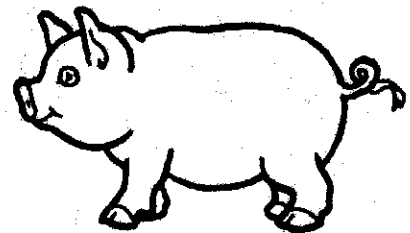
-Livestock Auction 3:00pm

-Release all animals 4:00pm

-Release 4-H building static exhibits 7:00-9:00pm

Sunday July 16th:

-Second chance to pick-up Static exhibits 9:00-11:00am



2023 FOOD STAND WORKING SCHEDULE

FOOD STAND HOURS WILL BE: 10:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Saturday hours are 11 am -9:00pm
 Work shifts will start 1/2 hour prior to opening and will finish approximately 1/2 hour after closing.

	Wednesday - July 12	Thursday - July 13	Friday - July 14	Saturday - July 15
4-H Events:	*Entry day *Poultry/Rabbit 10:30-1:30 1/2 Eastside Livestock	*Swine 10:30 - 1:30 Sutton FFA Shamrock Shepherds	*Beef 10:30-1:30 Saronville Stockman Independent Youth (Fisher, Watson, Robbins)	*Beef Fitting *Cat/Small Animal Auction 10:30-2:00 Marksmen Club
	*Bucket Golf 1:30-5:00 Independent Youth (Vonspreskelson, Arbogast, Eggelston, Tripes)	*Horse 1:30-5:00 LIA/Independent Youth (Hagemann, Krull, Leichter)	*Sheep 1:30-5:00 Independent Youth (Smith, Bucy, Schlicman)	2:00-6:00 Independent Youth (Schelkopf, Malone, Lange, Vandevanter, Ishii)
	5:00-8:30 Minute Milkers Independent Youth (Kucera, Crumbliss, Greer)	5:00-8:30 Independent Youth (Cox, Gierhan, Heinrichs, Wagner)	5:00-8:30 1/2 Eastside Livestock	5:30-9:00 (close) Town & Country Lassies Independent Youth Williamson
evening events:	Bull Riding	Family Fun Night	Ranch Rodeo	Livestock Auction Figure 8 Races

*Each family is responsible to furnish TWO pies (more are welcome). Bring it when you are scheduled to work or sooner. Mark you pie pan.

*Arrive on time for your scheduled work shift. Wear clean clothes and wash your hands upon arrival. Wearing a hat is required.

*You may help yourself to ONE free tea or lemonade during your work shift only.

*You are representing your club and the county 4-H program so please be sure your behavior is appropriate at all times.

*4-H members, leaders and families, scheduled for work shift, are the only workers allowed in the food stand kitchen area.

*The money earned supports the 4-H program through the year including support for manuals, trophies/ribbons.

If you are assigned a time with your club or as an Independent member and find it will not work for you, please contact the office and we

will be happy to re-assign a better time. Several clubs are small and may be short of workers so we would be happy to have you fill in.

We do expect all Clay County 4-H'ers to work a shift if at all possible. Thank you for taking your turn in the 4-H Foodstand!!

Upcoming Events:

June

June 29- Pre-fair contest day at Clay Center Christian Church

July

July 12-15 - COUNTY FAIR!

July 20- 4-H Dog Show in Nelson

August

August 10- State fair entry Deadline

August 23- Static entries that qualified for state fair must be turned in.

August 26-September 5- Nebraska State Fair!