



# Bow Knot

4-H Newsletter

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE	
1	State 4-H Horse Show Deadline for Online Entries
9-14	Big Red Summer Camps
13	Youth Quality Assurance Training, Broken Bow Municipal Building, 6:30 p.m.
14	4-H Livestock ID's due in Extension Office from Leaders
14	State Fair & Aksarben DNA Samples due for Market Beef, Breeding Beef, Market Swine, Breeding Swine, Market Lambs, Breeding Sheep, Meat Goat, Breeding Meat Goat, and Feeder Calf
15	Deadline for 4-H ONLINE Enrollments
18	State 4-H Premier Communication Event (Public Speaking Contest), Lincoln
20-21	P.A.S.E. Animal Science Judging Contest, UNL, Lincoln
21	4-H Market Beef Carcass nominations due in Extension Office
22-28	2024 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships, Grand Island, NE
25	4-H Modeling Workshop, Evangelical Free Church in Broken Bow, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
28	COUNTY FAIR ONLINE ENTRIES DUE by 5:00 p.m.
JULY	
1	Registrations due online for Custer County 4-H 3D Archery Match by 5:00 p.m.
4	Office closed for Independence Day
7	Custer County 4-H 3D Archery Match, Litchfield
13-17	State 4-H Horse Show, Fonner Park, Grand Island
15	2025 CWF Payment Due
15	4-H Council Meeting, 4-H Building, 7:30 p.m.
15	Deadline for Fashion Show narratives to be submitted online by 5:00 p.m.
16	CWF Concession Stand Work Night & Information Meeting, Fairgrounds, 6:00 p.m.
18	Clothing Construction and Fashion Show Judging, Evangelical Free Church, Broken Bow
18	4-H Public Fashion Show, Evangelical Free Church, Broken Bow, 7:00 p.m.
20	4-H Dog Show, Fairgrounds, 8:00 a.m.
24	4-H Entry Day for all exhibits except food, clothing, horticulture, and livestock, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
26-Aug. 1	2024 Custer County Fair
26-27	4-H Firearms Shooting Matches, Fairgrounds
27	Foods & Garden/Horticulture Judging, Fairgrounds
AUGUST	
1	4-H & FFA Livestock Auction, Fairgrounds
10	State Fair 4-H Entries Due Online by 8:00 p.m.
19	4-H Council Meeting, 4-H Building, 7:30 p.m., (if needed)
23-Sept. 2	Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island

## REMINDER... County Fair Entry Deadline...

Online Entries are **DUE** at  
<http://custer.fairwire.com>  
**by 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 28.**  
 Please don't wait to begin making entries  
 just before 5:00 p.m.  
 The system will **SHUT DOWN** at 5:00 p.m.

Consult the Custer County Fair Premium Book for department, division, and class information. Premium books are available from your 4-H organizational leader.

[2024 Online Entry Instructions](#)  
 It would be beneficial to print off these instructions prior to beginning to make online entries.

**Late Entries Will NOT Be Accepted!**

### CUSTER COUNTY 4-H 3D ARCHERY MATCH



The Custer County 4-H 3D Archery Match is scheduled for July 7. This match will be held at the Litchfield Archery Range, west of Litchfield, along Hwy 2. There will be a registration fee that will be payable at the time of registration in Litchfield. **Registration is REQUIRED by July 1 - 5:00 p.m.**

Registration **MUST** be completed online at:  
<https://go.unl.edu/3darchery> or by scanning this QR Code:



## LIVESTOCK/HORSE I.D. DEADLINES



### **Due May 31:**

- Deadline for all 4-H Horse ID's from horse leaders or organizational leaders.
- Deadline for advancement levels testing for youth entering the State 4-H Horse Expo
- There are no District 4-H Horse Shows.

### **Due June 1:**

- State 4-H Horse Expo Entries. State 4-H Horse Expo entry information can be found online at: <https://4h.unl.edu/horse-expo-show>
- Online State 4-H Horse Expo entries open May 1 and closes on June 1 at 5:00 p.m. CT.

**June 14** Deadline for eartagging market goats, breeding meat goats, breeding heifers, market sheep, breeding sheep, market swine, breeding swine, stocker-feeders, bucket calves, and submitting ID sheets to the Extension Office from leaders. Rabbits, dairy cattle, and dairy goats must also be identified. Identification forms are available at the Extension Office. (Clover Kid bucket calves **DO NOT** need identification forms or eartags.) See the [2024 Animal Identification Guidelines](#) for specific eartags required on each species.

**June 14 For State Fair** - Exhibitors showing market and/or breeding beef, feeder calves, market and/or breeding swine, market and/or breeding sheep or market and/or breeding goats at State Fair must have a signed and sealed official DNA envelope with hair samples for DNA verification. Every animal nomination (this includes all breeding animals and feeder calves) will require a DNA submission. DNA must be turned into their county office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 14. The completed the online nomination with payment in Show Stock Manager will need to be completed by June 15. Any animal carrying an 840 EID tag will require the exhibitor to obtain a Premises ID. Contact the local Extension Office for details. (It is recommended that you make a copy or a photo image of the completed envelope you turn into your county.)

An eartag order form is available for clubs. It can be found at: [2024 4-H Eartag Order](#)

4-H Organizational Leaders may make one (1) eartag order for the club or families may stop by the Extension Office to pick up their own eartags. To submit your order, the order form may be emailed, mailed, or delivered in-person.

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Broken Bow, NE 68822

**Eartags must be paid for when orders are picked up.** Checks must be made payable to: **4-H ACTIVITIES.**

## LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION FORMS

Livestock Identification forms can be found online at:

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/custer/livestock-id-forms/>

All animals will need to be identified on their respective form in order to be shown at the county fair. (See [2024 Animal Identification Guidelines](#).)

ID forms are printable from our website for 4-H'ers to fill out and turn in to their 4-H organizational leader. If ID forms are printed at home, **please print in landscape format, if possible.** ID forms may also be picked up at the Extension Office. Organizational leaders need to turn these into the Extension Office by June 14, so please get these completed forms to them well in advance.

**FAMILIES MUST TURN THEIR ID SHEETS IN TO THEIR ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER.  
ALL ID SHEETS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY YOUR LEADER.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

## CUSTER COUNTY YOUTH ANIMAL QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING



Nebraska Extension in Custer County is once again partnering with Adams Land and Cattle to hold an exciting and interactive Youth Quality Assurance Training the **evening of Thursday, June 13**. This will be an in-person event held at the **Municipal Building in Broken Bow**. Any Custer County 4-H member (4-H age 8-18) or FFA member who plans to show sheep, beef, swine, dairy, rabbits, poultry, and/or goats at the Custer County Fair, Nebraska State Fair, and/or Aksarben needs to be trained for Quality Assurance. **YOUTH WERE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT BY MAY 15.** **FFA members ages 19-21 will need to complete the online training course.**

### Schedule of Events for Thursday, June 13:

- Registration begins at 6:15 p.m. at the Broken Bow Municipal Building, 314 So. 10 Avenue.
- The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will last approximately 1.5 hours.
- Parents may pick up participants at 8:00 p.m.

During the training, youth will move through a series of stations to educate them on Animal Quality Assurance.

**\*With the changes in quality assurance going to a national training program called Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) there is a \$3 fee/participant for face-to-face trainings. This fee is being paid by Adams Land and Cattle. After the training each participant will be given a coupon with a code that will then need to be entered into the YQCA website. This coupon code will cover the \$3 fee. Instructions for entering the required information for YQCA will be emailed to participants following the training along with the coupon code.**

**YOUTH WHO DID NOT REGISTER FOR THE JUNE 13 EVENT, OR ARE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE IN-PERSON TRAINING ON JUNE 13, WILL NEED TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING COURSE BY JUNE 15 AND PRESENT THE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.**

### OPTIONS FOR YOUTH UNABLE TO ATTEND THE JUNE 8 QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING...

- Ages 12-14: "test out" of the intermediate level online for a \$36 fee. <https://yqcaprogram.org/>
- Ages 15-18: "test out" of the senior level online for a \$48 fee. <https://yqcaprogram.org/>
- Online Course. The online training course is available at: <https://yqcaprogram.org/> and the cost is \$12 per person.

### All training and/or testing must be completed by **June 15**.

Once the youth has successfully completed the training, please bring your completion certificate to the Extension Office or email to [cindy.gates@unl.edu](mailto:cindy.gates@unl.edu). Quality Assurance Training must be completed and certificates turned in to the Extension Office by June 15!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Extension Office at (308) 872-6831.

### JUNE JAMBOREE



It's summertime! Are you looking for some fun and interesting things to do this summer? Join us for [June Jamboree](#) --a summertime youth program. Send in your registrations now! Starting dates, registration fees, and deadlines vary. If you have any questions, call us at 872-6831. We hope to see you this summer!

# County Fair online entry deadline

## 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 28

<http://custer.fairwire.com>



# Custer County Fair Information

## 2024 Custer County Fair Premium Books

The Custer County Fair Premium books are ready to be picked up at the Extension Office by club leaders. Each club will receive one premium book for each 4-H family, as well as books to deliver to businesses/individuals who purchased ads. It would be nice if all of the advertisers had their books by June 1.

The premium book is printed each year so 4-H members know what they may exhibit at the county fair. It also contains general rules for county fair exhibitors as well as rules for project exhibits. It is extremely important for you to read your premium books! **Don't assume that rules are the same as in the past.** Much of the premium book is the same from year to year, however, there are always a few changes. If you have any questions regarding 4-H exhibits, please call the Extension Office at 872-6831.

### COUNTY FAIR LATE ENTRIES

4-H entries must be made according to the printed 2024 Custer County Fair Premium Book and entered online by 5:00 p.m. on June 28. Instructions for online entries were emailed to 4-H families on May 15. At the September 19, 2022 4-H Council meeting, the following motion was made. ***“Every 4-H member is eligible for a “one-time” member exemption for late county fair entries. The exemption provides the ability (one-time in a 4-H member’s career) for the 4-H member to acknowledge they missed the county fair entry deadline, with a \$25 late fee charged per member.”***

### ONLINE FASHION SHOW NARRATIVES

All 4-H'ers entering the fashion show must have all typed or clearly printed fashion show narratives in to the Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 15. Narratives should take approximately 30 seconds to read out loud.



4-H'ers are strongly encouraged to submit their narratives online. The link to submit narratives is:

<https://goo.gl/forms/XmH2NAirqXtODBxr1>.

Narratives may be submitted online at the link **OR** submitted in paper form to the Extension Office. The deadline for narratives is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 15. If you wish to edit your narrative submitted online, please be sure to click on the “Edit Your Response” link at the end of the submission, instead of creating a new narration. **Please do not email narratives to Extension Staff. 4-H'ers who do not turn in a narrative cannot model in front of the fashion show judge and cannot participate in the public fashion show. All 4-H'ers who model in front of the fashion show judge MUST model at the public fashion show. This includes all sewing, knitting, crocheting, and consumer management projects.**



### 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK AUCTION

To partially offset costs associated with the 4-H & FFA Livestock Auction, the Ag Society will be charging a fee of \$10 for every beef that sells through the ring and \$2 for every sheep, swine, and goat that sells through the ring. This fee is in addition to the charges for brand inspection, check-offs, and promotional fees for advertising costs and framed photographs of champions.

Each exhibitor will be permitted to sell only **ONE ENTRY** at the sale. For example: an entry is one market beef, one to three lambs, one to three market hogs, or one to three meat goats. Exhibitors can sell only 4-H or FFA animals and not a combination of the two at the Livestock Auction.

The 4-H & FFA Livestock Auction will be held on Thursday, August 1 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the show ring on the Custer County Fairgrounds. The sale order will be...**GOATS - BEEF - SWINE - SHEEP.**

## 2024 CWF CONCESSION STAND WORK NIGHT AND INFORMATIONAL MEETING



A 2024 CWF Concession Stand Work Night and Informational Meeting will be held Tuesday, July 16. The purpose of the meeting is to clean the concession stands in preparation of county fair, to discuss county fair concession stand procedures, and get acquainted. All delegates and at least one parent are encouraged to attend. Everyone should plan to meet at the 4-H Building at 6:00 p.m. to receive their cleaning assignments. A light supper will be served at approximately 7:30, with an informational meeting to follow.

## NOTE TO 4-H CLUBS WHO USE THE SHOOTING SPORTS BUILDING (BUILDING 18) AT THE FAIRGROUNDS

The Custer County Ag Society voted at their February 10, 2011 meeting to ask all 4-H clubs who use the Shooting Sports Building (Building 18) at the Fairgrounds for monetary donation(s) to help defray the costs of utilities (heat, electricity, air conditioning) effective immediately. The Ag Society would also consider in-kind labor for projects at the Fairgrounds, in lieu of monetary donation(s) from 4-H clubs. Clubs who would like to provide in-kind labor should contact the fairgrounds events coordinator, at 870-2493.

## FOCUS ON CHARACTER...CHARACTER AND SPORTSMANSHIP!



Friends, colleagues, employers, award committees, and judges look for people who have good character. Long after people have forgotten that you were Grand Champion showman at the county fair, they will remember your reputation and character. You may never get a blue ribbon for your fairness, trustworthiness, or citizenship, but character "Does Count!"

### Your Character = You

Sportsmanship is character applied to competitive settings. Good sportsmanship isn't reserved for the show ring. It should happen before, during, and after a show! Good sportsmanship applies to all 4-H'ers, not just those with livestock. 4-H'ers should also display good sportsmanship at the fashion show, interview judging, shooting competitions, judging competitions, etc. Someone who is "a good sport" shows that they are a person of character.

- ▶ Follow all rules.
- ▶ Be ethical.
- ▶ Be honest.
- ▶ Do not cheat.
- ▶ Accept the ruling of judges and referees without complaining.
- ▶ Keep your promises.
- ▶ Dress correctly for each situation.
- ▶ Exhibit your own work.
- ▶ Treat others with courtesy and respect.
- ▶ Treat your animals with kindness and respect.

## THE LEO C. COOKSLEY MEMORIAL AWARD



The Leo C. Cooksley Memorial Award will be presented annually to a person who best demonstrates those qualities of Leadership, Citizenship, and Courage that were exemplified by Leo C. Cooksley and demonstrated at the 2024 Custer County Fair. Be thinking of someone who you might like to nominate. Prospective recipients need to be submitted to the Nebraska Extension - Custer County Office by Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Nomination forms will be available at the Extension Office or in the Livestock Office during the county fair. They can also be printed from: [Leo C. Cooksley Memorial Award nomination form](#).



## LIVESTOCK IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR AKSARBEN

Current AKSARBEN Stock Show livestock requirements can be found at:

<https://www.aksarbenstockshow.com/>

**SHEEP & SWINE**

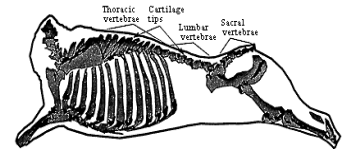


Sunday, July 28, sheep and goats will be weighed at the county fair 2:30-3:30 p.m. and hogs will be weighed 4:00-6:00 p.m. Immediately following weigh-in, the pens, catch pens, and alleys must be constructed. When the sheep show is over, the pens are taken down to make room for the beef show on Tuesday. These are big jobs. 4-H and FFA swine families are asked to help construct the pens and alley immediately following weigh-in on Sunday. 4-H and FFA sheep families are asked to take the pens in the show ring down immediately following the sheep show. People who have done this in the past will be there to guide the process, but they can use your help. Many hands make light work.



**BEEF CARCASS CONTEST**

A 4-H member may enter 1 or 2 animals. The project deadline dates for 2024 will be as follows:



- June 21 4-H Market Beef Carcass nominations due in Extension Office  
Contact the Extension Office with the number of animals you plan to enter in the market beef carcass contest, and eartag numbers, if possible.
- TBA Slaughter delivery and final weights and live photos - 7:00 a.m., Broken Bow Animal Hospital, Broken Bow
- TBA Collection of carcass data and pictures
- July 28 Submission of carcass project poster at the Livestock Office
- July 29 Interview judging of poster and participant
- July 30 Awards presentation during the lunch break of the 4-H Market Beef Show

Only 4-H market beef animals identified in February will be eligible for the carcass contest, awards, and premium money. A brand release must be available before the calves will be loaded. The brand inspector will check all calves in the usual customary manner at load out time. Lack of a brand release may result in delayed payment.

**BUILDING SITTERS**

The Building Sitter schedule for 4-H Clubs is included below with this Bow Knot issue. Each time slot has only one club listed. The club that is listed is responsible for watching the Hall of Champions (4-H Building) and the 4-H Exhibit Hall during that time. Both buildings will need at least one building sitter at all times. If the assigned time does not work for your club, please trade with another club. The Extension Office will not find a substitute. The building sitter can be a 4-H member, parent, grandparent, neighbor...anyone. The purpose of the building sitters is to make sure the exhibits are not tampered with, and to welcome our guests to the exhibits. Please be sure to show up at your assigned times to help ensure the security of the 4-H exhibits.

**2024 Building Sitters**

Time	Sunday, July 28	Monday, July 29	Tuesday, July 30	Wednesday, July 31
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.		South Loup	Oconto 4-H	Twin Valley
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Great Connections	Ansley Jr. Livestock	Four Corners	Middle Loup
3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Dog Gone Fun	Sandhill Critters	Thumbs-Up	South Loup
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Creative Kids	Four Valleys	Young Riders	Burr Oak



## **DOG, CAT, AND FERRET VACCINATION CERTIFICATES REQUIRED - DUE JUNE 28!**

Any 4-H member enrolled in Cat, Dog, Pets, and Animal Caretaker (Clover Kids) who will be exhibiting a dog, cat, or ferret at the county fair and/or state fair will be **REQUIRED** to turn in a Nebraska Certificate of Vaccination. **The Nebraska Certificate of Vaccination MUST be turned in to the Extension Office by June 28 for cats, dogs, and ferrets which will be shown.** These forms are available at the Extension Office and can also be printed from:

[Dog Vaccination Form](#)

[Cat and Ferret Vaccination Form](#)



**Cats** are required to be current on their vaccinations of rabies, panleukopenia, viral rhinotracheitis, and calicivirus. Cats must either have a current feline leukemia vaccination or proof of a negative test within 180 days of the show. **Proof of vaccinations must be turned in to the Extension Office by June 28.** Participants should have their veterinarian fill out and sign the "Nebraska Cat/Ferret Vaccination Record Form." **Please turn in the original vaccination form with original signatures - no photocopies or email copies.** Exhibitors will not be allowed to show without a signed Vaccination Record Form.

**Ferrets** must be vaccinated for rabies and have a completed health form signed by the administering veterinarian turned in to the Extension Office by June 28. A rabies vaccination is federally mandated to be given by a Certified Veterinarian ONLY. This vaccination must be current and include a veterinarian signature on the Vaccination Record Form. **Please turn in the original vaccination form with original signatures - no photocopies or email copies.**



**Dogs** must be immunized for distemper, hepatitis, parvo, and rabies. The Nebraska 4-H Certificate of Vaccination for Dogs Form **must be filled out and signed by a veterinarian, and turned in to the Extension Office by June 28. Please turn in the original vaccination form with original signatures - no photocopies or email copies.** The Nebraska 4-H Certificate of Vaccination for Dogs Form must document all vaccinations within 1 year or 3 years depending on the vaccine given. All required vaccinations must be given within 1 to 3 years of the show date based on label guidelines. All vaccinations must be in effect at the time of the county fair dog show.

Explanation: Some rabies vaccinations are viable for one year and some rabies vaccinations are viable for three years but are specifically designed and administered according to their label. It is not acceptable nor allowed to vaccinate a dog with a 1 year rabies vaccine and plan to have it in effect for 3 years.

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### **2024 CUSTER COUNTY FAIR 4-H SHOOTING MATCH RELAY FORM**

The 4-H Shooting Matches at the Custer County Fair will be held on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27 at the Shooting Range (Building 18, just west of the Grandstand).

#### **Friday, July 26**

Precision Air Rifle  
Sporter Air Rifle  
Smallbore Rifle  
.22 Sport Pistol

#### **Saturday, July 27**

BB Gun  
Air Pistol



Competitors must complete and submit this online relay form by 5:00 p.m. on June 28 at this link or QR Code:

<https://forms.gle/ckddtbQuRgxEnJENA>



Competitors need to be enrolled in the discipline they are entering **AND** working with a certified 4-H shooting sports leader in that discipline in order to compete at the county fair 4-H Shooting Matches. Competitors need to select the age division in the discipline they are entering and the relay times they would be available to shoot that discipline. Relays will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

**Competitors must also make a county fair entry for the classes they wish to enter.** 4-H entries must be made according to the printed 2024 Custer County Fair Premium Book and entered online by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 28.

Link to make online entries: <http://custer.fairwire.com>

Link for instructions to make online county fair entries: [2024 Online Entry Instructions](#)

### **Remember:**

- Complete and submit this [Relay Form](#) by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 28.

**AND**

- Submit online county fair entries on ShoWorks for the shooting sports classes you wish to enter by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 28.

## COUNTY FAIR 4-H HORTICULTURE ENTRIES



If you are unsure of what classes you will be entering in Cut Flowers (Classes 1-46), Houseplants (Classes 60-66), Vegetables/Herbs/Fruits (Classes 201-286), you may make “blank” online entries on ShoWorks by June 28. The actual class numbers will be filled in when the 4-H’ers come to interview judging on July 24. See the premium book for specific guidelines on pages 79-85.

For “blank” entries in Cut Flowers-Annuals and Biennials (Classes 1-23), enter **CLASS G770023 ANY OTHER ANNUAL OR BIENNIAL**. List this class number for each annual and biennial you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

For “blank” entries in Cut Flowers-Perennials (Classes 30-45), enter **CLASS G770045 ANY OTHER PERENNIAL CUT FLOWER**. List this class number for each perennial cut flower entry you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

For “blank” entries in Houseplants (Classes 60-67), enter **CLASS G770067 ANY OTHER CONTAINER GROWN HOUSEPLANT**. List this class number for each houseplant entry you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

For “blank” entries in Vegetables (Classes 201-252), enter **CLASS G773252 ANY OTHER VEGETABLE**. List this class number for each vegetable entry you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

For “blank” entries in Herbs (Classes 260-268), enter **CLASS G773268 ANY OTHER HERB**. List this class number for each herb entry you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

For “blank” entries in Fruits (Classes 280-286), enter **CLASS G773287 ANY OTHER FRUITS OR NUT**. List this class number for each fruit or nut entry you wish to enter, up to the entry limit, one entry per class.

**EXAMPLE:** If you would like to have 3 blank entries for vegetables, and you only make 2 online entries, you will only be able to enter 2 exhibits on the day of interview judging.

Follow the guidelines in [4-H “Preparing Cut Flowers for Exhibits” 4H227](#) when preparing entries for the fair. This publication is also available at the Extension Office.

Follow the guidelines in [“Selecting and Preparing Vegetables, Herbs and Fruits for Exhibit” 4H226 \(revised June 2013\)](#) when preparing entries for the fair. This publication is also available at the Extension Office.

**Cultivar/Variety Names** - When planting your seeds or purchasing your plants, be sure to save the cultivar/variety name. This will be needed when you enter your horticulture exhibit at the county fair. Entries without cultivar/variety names, will be dropped a ribbon placing.

### **CWF COUNTY FAIR CONCESSIONS STANDS**

- There will be CWF concession stands at the county fair this year. Additional concessions will be offered under the Grandstand on Friday, July 19 for the Lineman Rodeo. Concessions will be offered during the 4-H Dog Show on July 20 at the Chuckwagon.
- There will **NOT** be charge cards at the county fair concession stands for families again this year.
- Checks must be made payable to **4-H ACTIVITIES**. Any checks returned as “Insufficient Funds,” will be charged a \$30 service charge plus the amount of the original check.
- Cash payments at the concession stands are recommended. Please do not pay with bills larger than \$20, if possible.
- With a limited number of CWF delegates and concession stand coordinators, there may be some changes in times that the concession stands are open.





### **STATE FAIR UPDATE**

**Premium Book...**The State Fair Premium Book can be found at the web site: <https://4h.unl.edu/state-fair>.

You may also request the exhibit information at the Extension Office.

**Advanced Entries...**All advanced entries for the State Fair will be entered online by individual exhibitors for 2024. Specific website and instruction will be available at a later date. **Entry deadline is August 10 by 8:00 p.m..** This includes entries for fashion show (following the announcement of fashion show winners from Custer County at the 4-H Public Fashion Show), contests, beef, sheep, swine, rabbit, poultry, goat, dairy, and dog.

### **COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS SELECTED TO GO TO THE STATE FAIR**

...will need to be in the Extension Office by noon on Tuesday, August 20. (This date may be subject to change.) **If you have an exhibit selected to go to the State Fair, please pick it up from the county fair on Thursday, August 1, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, and take it home.** You will need to return the exhibit to the Extension Office between August 16 and noon on August 20. You will have an opportunity to make any improvements, as suggested by the judge.

# **County Fair online entry deadline 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 28**

<http://custer.fairwire.com>

Be Sure To Read Your Premium Books For County Fair Rules  
And Class Descriptions!

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