Wayne County 4-54 June 2024

New 4-H T-Shirt:

And the winner is LJ Wells! LJ's design has been chosen as the new 4-H T-Shirt for Wayne County. Congratulations LJ! Orders are due **June 10, 2024**. Cost is \$13.00/t-shirt for youth S, M, L, XL & adult S, M, L, XL, sizes 2X & 3X are \$16.00. Anyone, including parents and leaders, wanting to order a shirt can contact the Extension Office or fill out this google form: https://go.unl.edu/waynecotshirt



Updated Fair Policy:

The following rule (Letter E, pg. 59 in the 2023 Fair Book) has been updated and will be in effect starting with the 2024 Wayne County Fair: No animal or exhibit shall be removed from the grounds, prior to the predetermined release time, without consent of the superintendent of each department, Ag Society President, and 4-H Educator/FFA Advisor. Any violation of this rule will act as a forfeiture of any and all premiums (including Bonus Auction and Pool Money), awards (including high point awards and State Fair qualified exhibits), and recognition for that exhibitor. Exceptions: Horses may leave at 4:00 p.m. Friday night for the Tractor Pull, but must be back by 8:00 a.m. Saturday. The Champion and Reserve Champion Cow/Calf Jr. and Sr. pairs are required to stay. Cow/calf pairs exhibited by 4-H/FFA exhibitors with no other livestock at the fair must also stay (does not include feeder calf). All other cow/calf pairs may be dismissed at the discretion of the superintendent. Cows that leave early must leave between 8:00 p.m. Friday evening and 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

4-H Policy Regarding Missed Deadlines:

The 4-H Youth Development Program strives to instill responsibility in all 4-H members. Part of the responsibility is making sure that all 4-H deadlines are followed. It is the 4-H Council's role to be consistent and fair to all 4-Hers. Therefore, if a 4-Her contacts the Nebraska Extension Office after a missed county deadline, the 4-Her will be allowed to participate in county events, contests, etc., but will be ineligible for trophies and advancement to the State Fair. In the case where ID papers are late, we must follow the state deadline so opportunities to participate in events beyond the county are out the 4-H Council's control.

Fair Book Updates:

The following changes will be in effect for the 2024 Wayne County Fair:

- **Swine** A breeding gilt class has been added. Gilts will be weighed and divided into classes based on weight. A 4-H member may exhibit up to 4 hogs total between the market and breeding classes.
- **Horticulture** A 4-H member may continue to make one entry per class. The number of vegetables, herbs, and fruits exhibited will follow the amounts listed in 4-H 226 (the same amounts as State Fair).
- **Photography** Level 1 Print is an 8 x 10 (instead of 4 x 6) mounted in an appropriately sized matting (no frames) with a sandwich mat-board backing; rectangular or oval inside mat opening. No foam board should be used for matting or backing.
- **Visual Arts** Please visit this link to see the changes made to the Visual Arts, Static Exhibit area: https://4hfairbook.unl.edu/fairbookview.php/exhibits/57.
- Consumer Management Fashion Show: The \$15 Challenge is now a \$20 Challenge.

Attention Quilters: Quilts will now be judged on Contest Day, July 18, 2024.

Attention:

<u>June 15</u> falls on a Saturday this year. The Wayne County Extension Office will <u>NOT</u> be open this day. We encourage you to turn in all your required information and forms before June 15. Please contact us will any questions or concerns.

June 15th Checklist: Have you... 1. Enrolled in 4-H and checked your projects? Go to https://v2.4honline.com - youth must be enrolled in 4-H to be eligible to exhibit at the County and State Fair. 2. Completed Horse Advancement Level Testing for County Fair? Please contact the Extension Office to schedule the written test. 3. Completed YQCA? All 4-Hers exhibiting breeding and market beef; bucket calf; feeder calf; cow/calf; dairy cattle; breeding meat, market, dairy, and pygmy goats; breeding and market sheep; breeding and market swine; rabbit, and poultry are required to complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) course. The online course can be found at https://yqcaprogram.org/ Instructions are available on the website under Youth and Parents | Web-based Training Help Document. All individuals that complete the web-based option, test-out option, or attend a Face-to-Face training other than those held in Wayne or Pierce will need to go back into their https://yqcaprogram.org account to download their certificate. Either email or print it off and bring it to the Extension Office. 4-HOnline and the YQCA site do not communicate. 4. Turned in your ID Forms? All County Fair ID Forms (Affidavits) for Breeding and Market Beef, Bucket Calf, Feeder Calf, Cow/Calf Pairs, Dairy Cattle, Breeding Meat, Market, Dairy, and Pygmy Goats; Horse, Breeding and Market Sheep; Rabbits, and Breeding and Market Swine are due. It is your responsibility to make sure these forms are accurate. All necessary data must be present and correct. You can email, drop off using the drop box, or bring to the office. All ID papers are available for download at https://wayne.unl.edu/4hanimalaffidavits and at the Extension Office. 5. Completed Online Nominations for State Fair?

Instructions for nominating State Fair Livestock are available at https://showstockmgr.com, and bring your DNA envelopes for State Fair for all Market and Breeding Livestock and Feeder Calves to the Extension Office. A document is available for families wanting to exhibit animals at the State Fair. It is a nice overview for first time and seasoned exhibitors. Check it out at: https://4h.unl.edu/state-fair-livestock-exhibitor-first-time

6. Obtained premise ID number if animals have an EID tag?

Information on how to obtain a Premise ID number can be found at: https://wayne.unl.edu/4-h-animal-information, under Premise ID Information.

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July 3rd Deadline:

Entry information for Contest Day, County Fair, Bonus Auction, letting us know how many animals you are bringing to the Fair, and the 4-H/FFA section of the Fair Book will be mailed in big yellow envelopes to 4-H Families. Please note this is different from signing up for projects in 4-HOnline that is due on June 15. You are now making entries for what will be brought to the County Fair.

The following are due online:

Entries will be made online at https://wayne.fairwire.com

- All Animal, Contest Day, & 4-H Building exhibits, except Floriculture and Horticulture
- Each 4-H/FFA animal exhibitor will indicate the number of animal(s) to be exhibited in 4-H/FFA and to sign up for the Bonus Auction in ShoWorks.

The following are due to the Extension Office. You may bring them to the office, put them in the drop box on the North side of the courthouse, or email to wayne-county@unl.edu:

- Exhibiting a Bucket Calf? Complete as much of the Bucket Calf Record as you can and include a picture if possible. The records will be returned at the Bucket Calf Show.
- Exhibiting a Cat, Dog, or Ferret? Proof of current vaccinations are due to our office.
- Consumer Management Fashion Show participants
 - Shopping in Style Written Report with Narration
 - \$20 Challenge Record
- Favorite Foods Contest Make entry in ShoWorks.
- Does your club want to have a Theme Booth? Organizational Leaders can call the Extension Office to sign up.
- Bucket Calf Records, Shopping in Style Written Report with Narration, \$20 Challenge, and Favorite Foods information is available at: https://wayne.unl.edu/county-and-state-fair-information

All information due by 5 PM, July 3rd. The websites will be shut down and the drop box checked at 5 PM. Timestamps checked on emails. Information received after this time will be subject to the 4-H Policy regarding missed deadlines.



Updates:

- Wayne County Fair Passes are available at the Extension Office. Volunteers received a postcard with details on purchasing half-priced passes. The price will increase on **lune 1st.**
- Now is a good time to complete the online YQCA course or sign up for a Face-to-Face training held at the Pierce County Pavilion, Pierce on **June 11th at 1 PM and 6 PM.**

Cuming County Cream of the Crop Dairy Show:

The 25th annual Cream of the Crop Dairy Show is scheduled for **Saturday**, **June 15th** at the Cuming County Fairgrounds in West Point. There will also be a fitting contest held on **June 14.** For more information, please check out their Facebook page: <u>Cream of the Crop Dairy Show</u>

Platte County Showmanship Clinic:

Platte County is hosting a Showmanship Clinic on **Saturday**, **June 22**, **from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM** at the Ag Park in Columbus, NE. This clinic is open to all 4-H members ages 8-18 and is \$5 per youth. The schedule of events includes swine, sheep, goat, rabbit, poultry, and beef showmanship. Please register by **June 18th** by contacting Blake Wert at 402-563-4901 or bwert@unl.edu.

Tractor and Equipment Safety Training:

Tractor and farm equipment safety courses are now open for registration! Teens ages 14-15 who work on farms, or others who are interested in learning about tractor and farm equipment safety practices, can register for a safety training course offered at seven locations across Nebraska from **May 21 through June 13**. The cost is \$40. Learn more at https://go.unmc.edu/tractor-safety-training

Online Horticulture Contest:

Do you know what it takes to pick the best fruit and vegetables out at the grocery store? Or do you know what judges are looking for when they judge your plants at the county fair? Have you ever wondered, what plant is that!?! We are excited to offer the opportunity to learn these and other important horticulture skills through the Online Horticulture Contest. The contest will be available June 7-21, 2024 at: https://go.unl.edu/online4hhortcontest.

Horticulture judging contest consists of three parts. The first is identification of plant material. Participants identify the plants by common name from a plant list. Specimens may be alive or preserved plant parts like stems, twigs, leaves, flowers, seeds, fruits, roots, bulbs, tubers, or plant products.

The second is a knowledge portion, usually in the form of a true/false or multiple choice quiz. Questions will test the contestant's knowledge of cultural practices for horticultural crops, plant science, pesticides, horticultural careers, and other topics related to the production, processing, and consumption of horticultural crops.

The last portion is judging or placings. This is where four different plants, plates of vegetables, or containers of flowers are ranked from best to worst based on a set of criteria. Classes are judged on the basis of condition, quality, uniformity, true-to-type, and size.

More details at: https://4h.unl.edu/online-horticulture-judging-contest

More information about the Nebraska State contest along with a list of study material can be found in the Fairbook at: https://4hfairbook.unl.edu/fairbookview.php/contests/45



Livestock Achievement Program:

The Livestock Achievement Program is an advanced opportunity for youth interested in diving deeper into and expanding upon their current livestock project and establishing themselves as leaders in their project area. The program encourages youth to engage in a variety of activities related to their project and recognizes Members of Excellence across all 4-H livestock project areas. Applications are due **June 15**. Learn more at: https://4h.unl.edu/livestock-achievement.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday		Saturday
May 26	27	28	29	30	31	June 1
Boone County Sheep -A-rama Show Boone County Goat -A-rama Show	Memorial Day (Office Closed)		YQCA Training, Wayne County Fairgrounds (1:00 & 6:00 PM)		Home Design & Restoration Day Reg. DUE	State Horse Show Entries, ID's, and Level Testing Documentation DUE
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Babysitting Clinic Reg. DUE Clover Kid Camp Reg. Due E E E E E Pie Baking Workshop Reg. DUE		Home Design & Restoration Day, Pierce County Fairgrounds, (9:00 AM - Noon)	Clover Kid Camp, Wayne County Fairgrounds, (9:00 -11:00 AM)	Babysitting Clinic, Wayne County Fairgrounds, (10:00 AM - 3:30 PM) Barrier Online Horticulture Judging Contest (Open June 7-21)	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Big Red Camps	4-H T-Shirt Orders DUE	Big Red Camps	Big Red Camps	Big Red Camps	Big Red Camps	4-H Enrollment, all Livestock and Horse
	Big Red Camps	YQCA Training	Pie Baking	Virtual Bee Hotel	Cuming County	IDs, Horse Level Testing, YQCA Training, State Fair
		Pierce County Fairgrounds,	Workshop, Our Savior Lutheran	Workshop, (10:00 AM - Noon)	Cream of the Crop Dairy Show, Cuming County	Nominations, DNA, and Fees DUE
	Floral Design Workshop Reg. DUE	(1:00 & 6:00 PM)	Church, (9:00 - 11:30 AM)		Fairgrounds	Cuming County Cream of the Crop
			Build a Lamp Workshop Reg. DUE		Let's Paint Run-A- Ways Workshop Reg. DUE	Dairy Show, Cuming County Fairgrounds Livestock Achievement Program Applications DUE
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Premier Communications Event, Lincoln	Premier Communications Event, Lincoln Platte County Showmanship Clinic Reg. DUE	Juneteenth Observed (Office Closed)	4-H Council Meeting (7 PM) Floral Design Workshop, Wayne County Fairgrounds, (1:30 - 4:00 PM)	Let's Paint Run-A- Ways Workshop, Wayne County Fairgrounds, (2:00 - 5:00 PM)	Platte County Showmanship Clinic, Columbus, (9:30 AM - 3:30 PM)
23	24				28	29
National Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island	National Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island	National Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island	Pierce County Fairgrounds, (9:00 - 11:00 AM) National Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island	National Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island	Championships, Grand Island	
30	July 1	2			5	6
			Favorite Foods Contest Entries DUE Contest Day & All Fair Entries DUE (Except Horticulture/Floriculture) DUE Current Cat, Dog, & Ferret Vaccination Records	Independence Day Observed (Office Closed)		

July Calendar:

3	Favorite Foods Contest Entries DUE					
3	Contest Day & All Fair Entries DUE (Except Horticulture/Floriculture) DUE					
3	Current Cat, Dog, & Ferret Vaccination Records DUE					
4	Independence Day, Office Closed					
13-17	Fonner Park, Horse Expo, Grand Island, NE					
18	Contest Day, Wayne Expo Building					
18	Favorite Foods Contest, Wayne Expo Building					
20	Cat, Dog, and Small Animal Shows, Wayne County Fairgrounds					
22	Pre-Fair Clean-up night					
23	Extension Office moves to the Fairgrounds					
24	Static Exhibits Judged, Wayne Expo Building					
24	Horticulture/Floriculture Entries DUE					
25-28	Wayne County Fair					
27	Public Fashion Show, Wayne Expo Building					
28	State Fair Fashion Show/Contest Entries DUE					
29	Extension office re-opens at Courthouse, 1:30 PM					
29	Post-Fair Clean-up night					
Augu	ıst Calendar:					
10	Livestock and in-person State Fair Entries DUE by 8 PM					
15	4-H Council, 7 PM					
20	State Fair Exhibits DUE by noon to Extension Office					
23-31	Nebraska State Fair					
Sept	ember Calendar:					
1-2	Nebraska State Fair					
2	Labor Day Observed (Office Closed)					
6	State Fair Exhibits ready to pick up at the Extension Office					
13	County Award & Diamond Clover Applications, Clubs of Excellence & 4-H					
	Career Portfolio/Achievement Applications DUE to Extension Office					
14-15	Norfolk Beef Expo, Norfolk (Entries DUE TBA)					
19	4-H Council 7 PM					