Elk County 4-H News

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4-H Calendar of Events

For the most up to date list of events, go to the Rolling Prairie/Elk County 4-H website

April
3  4-H Council--6:30 p.m.
15  Discovery Days Registration Due
26  Small Animal Weigh In--Howard-5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
27  Small Animal Weigh In--Howard-9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

May
1  Project Drop/Add Deadline
3  4-H Camp Counselor Applications and Registrations Due
5  Livestock Project Meeting--5:00 p.m.
17  Favorite Food Show Entries Due
29-31  Discovery Days--KSU

Discovery Days

Discovery Days registration is open until April 15. All documents that you will need have been posted at http://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/discovery-days/index.html. Look at the class catalog, it has been posted on the above website. There is a great selection of new classes this year! If delegates do not sign up for enough classes for their class schedule, they will be assigned to classes that are available and open. Double check your schedule when you sign up.

Discovery Days is for members age 13 - 18 as of January 1, 2019. Dates are May 29 - May 31 at Kansas State University. Please note: For 2019 we are trying a 3-day, 2-night experience for Discovery Days to reduce the base price for Discovery Days. Cost is $195. Some classes have additional fees to pay for supplies.
Bucket Calves

Dairy cattle/goats and bucket calves need to be tagged and recorded with the Extension Office by May 1 of the current year. Tags are available at the Extension Office and cost is $2.00. Pickup a tag at the Extension Office or call to schedule a time for Richard to tag your calf.

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Spring Shows, Sales, Judging and Other Contests

Many of these events are starting to occur and the Extension Office is receiving information about these. I am including on the Rolling Prairie website a list of these as I receive them. Here is the link to these: http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/springshows/index.html

These events are listed FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY! No endorsement of any event is intended. For more information about any of these, contact the Extension Office. Some of these have a pre-registration deadline, so do not wait until the last minute to inquire about a contest or event. Check back often as list will be updated when notices are received at the office.

If you are interested in club lamb, hog and/or goat sales, the March 6 issue of Farm Talk had many sales and breeder information listed in a special edition.

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Hog/Sheep/Goat Weigh In and Tag Day

The Howard Fairgrounds will be the site of this year’s Hog, Lamb and Goat tag and weigh-in. All hogs, lambs and goats must be weighed and tagged in order to be shown and sold at the county fair.

This year you will have two opportunities to weigh and tag your animals. Animals can be weighed & tagged Friday, April 26 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, April 29 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Members may weigh and tag a maximum of 6 market animals per species. However, you may only show two of each species at the fair. Tags are $3/head.

As has been for several years now, animals will be tagged and nominated under a family name if more than one 4-H’er is in the immediate family. Family members must reside in the same household.

When selecting your hog, lamb or goat, keep in mind the weight and rate of gain requirements that must be met in order to sell at the premium sale. Market hogs must weigh 220-320 pounds and gain a minimum of 1.1 lbs/day. Market lambs must weigh 100-155 pounds and gain a minimum of 0.25 lbs/day. Meat goats must weigh 50-120 pounds and gain a minimum of 0.20 lbs/day. There are 82 or 81 days between spring weigh-in and fair weigh-in.

Weight projection charts are available for each species on the Rolling Prairie website at http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/livestock/index.html

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Elk County 4-H Council

The April 4-H Council meeting will be Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Meeting Room in Howard. Fair awards for this year will be decided on as well as any fairbook changes. All clubs need to be represented.

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May 1 Deadline

May 1 is a very important deadline date. Drop/Add Deadline: This is the last day you can drop or add projects for the year so make sure you are in the projects you want. You can do this through 4HOnline or call the Extension Office and we can do it for you. If you are trying to do this in 4HOnline, after May 1 it will not allow you to make any changes.
**Horse ID’s Due in the Extension Office:** To exhibit at the 4-H Horse Show, a member must properly identify his or her owned or leased horse project on the 4-H Identification Certificate.

**Market Beef State Nominations:** Nominations and paperwork needs to be postmarked by May 1.

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**Horse ID’s**

The publication number is P1039 rev. October 2017. [Horse Identification Certificate](#)

The form MUST BE front and back of one page, not two pages.

A standard size picture MUST BE attached. The picture should include all 4 legs and feet showing a profile of the horse with the head turned toward the camera. ALL markings must be clearly visible. Members, Parent/Guardian, Owners (if horse is leased) and County Agents MUST sign and date signature.

The ORIGINAL 4-H Horse Identification Certificate MUST accompany the 4-H’er. The county office and project leader may have a photocopy.

At the State Fair Horse Show, some of the things that have not been correct and will not be allowed in the future are:

- 4-H Horse Identification Certificates on two separate pages instead of front and back.
- Photocopies, not originals, or pictures of papers on your phone.
- Photos of horses not attached to Horse ID certificates.
- Not having all required signatures.
- Photos of horses that are more than 5 years old (especially on young OR gray horses).

If you plan to show at your 4-H District Horse Show or the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show, PLEASE make sure you are using the correct form and it is completely filled out.

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**4-H Camp**

- June 5 - 8; For members 3rd grade through 7th grade complete.
- $200 + transportation costs (transportation costs not determined until after registrations are due and how many that are going to camp is known.)
- Registration is due May 3. Registration form is in this newsletter and is available on the Rolling Prairie website.
- Counselor applications are due May 3 as well. Available on Rolling Prairie website.
- [https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/activities/index.html#camp](https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/activities/index.html#camp)
- The $200 camp fees are due by May 3. A spot in camp will not be reserved for members until full payment is received!!

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**State Livestock Nominations**

Listed below is information about the 2019 State Livestock Nominations:

- ✔ Animals eligible for KJLS or KSF will need an EID ear tag placed in the ear of the animal by an Agent or in the presence of the Agent. This is so all tags can be accounted for. Make arrangements with Richard to tag and nominate animals if you have animals that were not tagged at the county spring dates. The exception to this is purebred breeding females that have registration papers do not have to be nominated. (except meat goats)
- ✔ DNA hair samples are required for each nominated animal for ALL species.
- ✔ Ear notch information will be required for swine nominations as well as the DNA sample.
- ✔ Scrapie tag numbers will be required for sheep and goat nominations as well as the DNA sample.
- ✔ Declaration forms, nomination forms are required as well. These must be signed by
the parent/legal guardian, and Extension Agent.

- Nomination deadlines for all species are POSTMARK dates. Certified mail is highly encouraged for sending nominations to KSU.

- Nomination dates are: **May 1** - Market Beef; **June 15** - Market Hogs, Commercial Gilts, Market Sheep, Commercial Ewes, Commercial Heifers, and ALL meat goats.

- Nomination cost is $8.00/animal.

- All exhibitors must submit a valid YQCA certification number by June 15. (except members that are 7 years old)

- A livestock nomination is NOT AN ENTRY for the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

- All state nomination paperwork is available as form fillable PDF documents. Forms may be completed this way or via “hard copy.” Original signatures on all paperwork and DNA envelopes are still REQUIRED!

I have copies of all the forms and DNA envelopes as well. Also all forms (except DNA envelopes) and a Kansas Youth Livestock State Nomination Process “Rookie Guide” are available at: [http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/](http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/)

DNA envelopes are only available at the Extension Office.

When nominating animals, keep this in mind. This information is from the Kansas 4-H Policy document: “Any 4-H exhibit sold at public auction or by private contract is not eligible to be exhibited at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show. Public auction includes: premium sale, ribbon auction, or similar event. If the project is sold, regardless of ownership changes, on the date of the transaction the 4-H member has given up the right to exhibit that specific animal or product in the future. In the case of livestock, market animals sold are ineligible to be shown as breeding animals in the future. Non-livestock exhibits (perishable foods, photographs, etc.) may be reproduced for the Kansas State Fair.”

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**Favorite Food Show**

The Favorite Food Show will be Sunday, June 2, 2:00 p.m. at the Extension Meeting Room in Howard. Entries are due by May 17. An entry form with more information is in this newsletter.

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**The Importance of Weighing Your Feed**

You’ve probably heard it a time or two, but doing the simple things right is the fastest way to reach your goal. A lot of decisions go into what you are going to feed your show animals. So, when you dump that bucket of feed into the pan or trough morning and night, you want to make sure your animals are getting exactly the right amount.

One of the best investments you can make for your barn or feed room is a simple fishing scale or postal scale. This allows you to weigh each bucket and measure out the correct amount of feed. The reason why we encourage people to stay away from the coffee can or feed scoop method is:

1. Your coffee can or feed scoop might not be the same size as your friends’. When you are consulting back with the breeder of your animal, and you tell him or her you are feeding a scoop of this or two scoops of that, that isn’t giving an accurate picture of what you are feeding.

2. Different grains and supplements weigh different amounts even though the volume might be the same. For example, a scoop of oats vs. a scoop of corn vs. a scoop of cottonseed hulls will be very different weights.

Weighing your feed every day also keeps you consistent. It is easy for you to start to eyeball what you think 15 lbs. looks like, then realize you have only been feeding 13 or 14 lbs. once you weigh your bucket. By taking the extra step to weigh your feed, you’ll ensure your show animals are on the right track for success.

*(From Sure Champ Blog 1-11-17)*

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(From Sure Champ Blog 1-11-17)
Camp Registration Form
Due May 3

Camp Fee: $200.00 (Does not include any transportation costs that there may be)

Name __________________________________________________________

Address _________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip Code________________________________________________

Phone #________________      Parent/Guardian_________________________

Email ___________________________________________________________

Grade just completed _____  4-H age (as of January 1, 2019)_____

Sex (M or F) _______

Roommate choices:

1st. ______________________________________________

2nd. ______________________________________________

3rd. ______________________________________________

Please list any special needs:

__________________________________________________________________
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The $200 camp fees are due by May 3. A spot in camp will not be reserved for members until full payment is received! Make check payable to Elk County 4-H Council.

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Chautauqua County 4-H Spring Livestock Shows

Beef Show
May 4, 2019
10:30 am
Chautauqua County Fairgrounds – Sedan, KS

Small Animal Show
May 19, 2019
2:00 pm
Chautauqua County Fairgrounds – Sedan, KS

2:00 p.m. Sheep
3:30 p.m. Goat
5:00 p.m. Swine

Weigh-in and registration 30 minutes prior to each show
Open only to youth in Chautauqua and Elk Counties.
For more information contact the Extension Office at (620)725-5890

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4-H FAVORITE FOOD SHOW

Sunday, June 2, 2019 – 2:00 p.m.
Extension Office Meeting Room, Howard

The Favorite Food Show is an exhibit and contest to encourage 4-H’ers to learn about meal planning, food preparation, and presentation. A “Favorite Food” is chosen, one the 4-H’er likes and likes to prepare. A menu is planned with the food, and the table decor is coordinated. Foods chosen may be main courses, desserts, snacks, breads, casseroles or other.

A recipe card and a menu card should be displayed with the proper table setting. The 4-H’er will visit informally with the judge and tell how to prepare and serve the food, why they selected the table service and dishes, and why the centerpiece is appropriate. The 4-H’er should also know some of the nutritional value of the food and be able to discuss that with the judge.

This is a creative and fun event for 4-H’ers. There are no hard and fast rules. The following score card is used at the Area Contest and will be used at the Elk County contest.

30% - The Exhibitor
- Appropriate Dress
- Originality
- Interview - Eye contact, clarity, volume of voice. Demonstrates understanding of table setting techniques and the menu, food preparation and food safety.

30% - The Favorite Food
- Can discuss nutritional value and healthy portions.
- Understands preparation of the food item.
- Appearance of food including portion size.
- Food safety knowledge.

20% - Menu with Favorite Food
- Appropriate food choices.
- Understanding of meal preparation time management.
- Knowledge and experience with this menu.
- Balanced in color and texture.

20% - Table Setting with Favorite Food
- Appropriate for menu
- Menu and recipe are clear and legible.
- Attractive-color scheme, dishes, food, placemats, linen, etc.
- Appropriate centerpiece.

Favorite Food Show Entry
Entries due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 17, 2019

Name ______________________________________________________  Age ___________
(4-H Age)

My Favorite Food will be ____________________________________________

Served for (Occasion) ____________________________________________
2019 Elk County 4-H Fair
Schedule of Events

Monday, July 1
4:30 p.m.  4-H/FFA Fair Entries Due

Wednesday, July 10
8:30 - 9:30 a.m.  Clothing Construction and Fiber Arts Judging -
9:30 a.m.  Clothing Construction and Buymanship - Boys Fashion Revue Judging
10:00 a.m.  Buymanship - Girls Fashion Revue Judging
6:30 p.m.  Supporters and Friends of 4-H Picnic -
7:30 p.m.  Public Fashion Revue

Sunday, July 14
5:00 p.m.  Fairgrounds Cleanup

Monday, July 15
9:00 a.m.  4-H Foods Judging - Cox Building
6:00 p.m.  Horse Show

Wednesday, July 17
8:00 - 10:00 a.m.  Indoor Exhibits non-Market Livestock Exhibits Checked In
10:00 a.m.  Judging of Indoor Exhibits and 4-H Consultation Judging
4:00 - 4:30 p.m.  Weigh Market Beef
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.  Weigh Market Goats and Doe Kids
5:30 - 6:00 p.m.  Weigh Market Lambs
6:15 - 6:45 p.m.  Weigh Market Hogs
6:45 - 7:30 p.m.  Check in ALL Breeding Animals (except Doe Kids) and Bucket Calves

Thursday, July 18
8:00 a.m.  4-H Swine Fitting and Showing and Judging of Swine
3:00 p.m.  4-H Sheep Fitting and Showing and Judging of Sheep
6:30 p.m.  Barnyard Olympics Sponsored by Elk County Teen Leaders

Friday, July 19
9:00 a.m.  4-H Goat Fitting & Showing and Judging of Meat Goats
2:00 p.m.  Judging of Rabbits and Poultry
5:30 p.m.  4-H Awards Presentation Ceremony at Show Arena
6:00 p.m.  Bucket Calf Show followed by 4-H Beef Fitting & Showing and Judging of Beef

Saturday, July 20
9:00 a.m.  Round Robin
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Check out ALL entries (except sale animals)
6:30 p.m.  4-H/FFA Livestock Premium Sale

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# 2019 Youth Livestock Nomination and Entry Deadlines

Kansas State Fair Grand Drive (KSF) and Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS)

**AGE REQUIREMENTS: Kansas State Fair:** Only Kansas 4-H members who were 9 years of age but not yet 19 years of age before January 1 of the current year are eligible to compete in this division. **KJLS:** All Kansas 4-H members that have reached the age of 7 before January 1st of the show year will be eligible to participate at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

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<th>Entry</th>
<th>Required Materials for Nomination</th>
<th>Cost to Nominate</th>
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<td>Market Steers</td>
<td>EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Beef Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, YQCA certified youth, all marked by May 1.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
<td>May 1</td>
<td>KSF – July 15 KJLS – August 15</td>
<td>Required for breed classes.</td>
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<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
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<td>KSF – July 15</td>
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<td>Commercial (Crossbred) Heifers</td>
<td>EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Commercial Heifer Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, YQCA certified youth, all marked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
<td>Required every year</td>
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<td>Registered Breeding Heifers</td>
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<td>KSF – July 15 KJLS – August 15</td>
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<td>Market Lambs</td>
<td>EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Lamb/Commercial Ewe Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, scrapie tag #, YQCA certified youth, all marked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
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<td>Commercial Ewes (Wether Dams)</td>
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<td>EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Swine Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, YPQA+ or YQCA Certified, ear notches, all marked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
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<td>All Meat Goats****</td>
<td>EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Meat Goat Nomination Form*, sealed DNA Hair Sample envelope*, scrapie tag #, YQCA certified youth, all marked by June 15.</td>
<td>$8</td>
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* The Declaration form and specie Nomination forms are available at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu. Declaration Forms are due at the time of nomination. Contact the local extension office to have animals tagged (for all species) and obtain official DNA Hair Sample Envelopes. **All exhibitors are required to be YPQA+ or YQCA certified.**

** There is no market heifer show at KJLS.

*** For pedigreed market barrows, ear notches on registration papers must match the pig’s ear notches to be able to show.

**** Commercial doe show available at BOTH KSF & KJLS; ALL market and breeding meat goats must be nominated to show (no registered breeding doe show for either).

**** Health papers are only required at KSF for animals originating outside of Kansas.

There is a one-time/year $20.00 fee if any part of a nomination is incomplete or has to be returned.

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