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.

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**Fair Edition of the Newsletter**

This is the fair edition of the newsletter. Hard to believe we are less than three weeks from the fair! In this newsletter is all kinds of information related to the different fair events and projects. If you have questions, please ask!
**4-H/FFA Entries**

4-H/FFA fair entries are due **Monday, July 9 by 4:30 p.m. in the Extension Office.** Put everything you might bring to the fair on your entry form. **ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JULY 9.** Entries can be emailed or called into the Extension Office as well, but they still must be here by 4:30 p.m. on July 9. We will drop entries from the records if they do not check in at the fair, but we will not add entries at the fair.

There are two Fashion Revue forms that must be completed for each entry. One is the information and judges form and the other is the script. **Both forms need to be completed and returned to the Extension Office by July 12!** On the information and judges form, please attach a picture of you and your outfit.

Make a separate entry for each exhibit you have. For example, if you have more than one photo, animal, foods, crafts, etc; each one must be listed or noted on the fair entry form. **Livestock exhibitors remember to enter showmanship if you plan to participate in it.**

*Know your exhibit requirements. Read the fairbook. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to know the exhibition rules. Not being told is not a valid excuse for lack of personal responsibility.*

**Kansas State Fair Youth Livestock Entries**

Entries for the youth livestock shows (beef, sheep, swine and meat goat) for the Kansas State Fair are due by **July 15.** Entries can be done online or mailed in. Information and forms can be found at: [http://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/exhibitors/livestock-competitions/377](http://www.kansasstatefair.com/p/exhibitors/livestock-competitions/377)

*“Lack of preparation on your part does not constitute an emergency on mine.”*

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**Ear Tags**

If ear tags are lost from your market animals, they must be replaced! All market animals must have the proper ear tag in place in order to check in at the fair. So whether your animal lost a tag on May 1 or July 18, let the office know ASAP to get it replaced.

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**Fair Notes**

Again this year, exhibit tags do not need to be picked up for 4-H exhibits. The Extension Office will print these for all exhibits (except livestock) and have them available on Thursday, July 19 when you check in your exhibits. At this time, you will place them on your exhibits. **Recipe cards are still needed for foods exhibits and are available at the Extension Office.**

Livestock stall cards will be printed at weigh in on Wednesday evening. **ALL LIVESTOCK, EXCEPT RABBITS AND POULTRY NEED TO CHECK IN ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 18.** Breeding animals and bucket calves may check in and get their stall cards beginning at 7:30 p.m. or after weigh in of market animals is completed. Exception is meat goat doe kids need to be weighed during their scheduled time of 6:15 - 7:00 p.m.

All non-market livestock entries will be accepted on Thursday morning, July 19, 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. All exhibits must be checked in by 10:00 a.m.

Consultation judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. Only members involved in consultation judging (Visual Arts and Photography) will be allowed in the fair building while judging is taking place.

**Plant Science** project members if you are wondering how to exhibit your entries, the Extension Office has copies of “Exhibiting Fruits and Vegetables” available.

**Visual Arts and Photography** projects will be judged by consultation this year. Members will have the opportunity to visit with the judge about their project and exhibits while they are being judged.
You are not required to do consultation judging, however, it can be a great learning experience for the 4-H’er. If you are unable to be at consultation judging, your exhibit(s) will still be judged.

**Photography:** Photo mats are available from the Extension Office for $1.00. This includes a large Ziploc bag to place your completed project in.

Be sure you look over the fair schedule closely so you do not miss anything. If you have any questions about the fair, entries, shows or anything else you see in the fair book or newsletter, just ask us at the Extension Office!

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**Fashion Revue Forms**

Fashion Revue forms are available at the Extension Office or on-line at [http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/fair/index.html](http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/fair/index.html)

There are two forms that must be completed for each entry. One is the information and judges form and the other is the script. **Both forms need to be completed and returned to the Extension Office by Thursday, July 12!** On the information and judges form, attach a picture of you in your outfit.

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**Fairgrounds Cleanup/Setup**

4-H families are needed to clean the livestock barns and pens, and setting up the show arena on **Sunday, July 15 at 3:30 p.m.** Club participation at fairgrounds cleanup counts towards the Herdmanship Trophy.

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**4-H/FFA Horse Show**

All horse classes and events will take place on **Sunday, July 15, 6:30 p.m. at the Longton Arena.** No horses are to be brought to the fair with one exception: The Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Horse Showmanship winners will bring their horses in for the Round Robin on Saturday, July 21.

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**Clothing Construction, Fiber Arts and Fashion Revue Judging**

Judging of Clothing Construction, Fiber Arts and Fashion Revue projects will be **Monday, July 16 at the Elk Valley School in Longton.** Clothing Construction and Fiber Arts will be judged 8:30 - 9:15 a.m. in one of the classrooms. Girls Buymanship Fashion Revue Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium. Clothing Construction Fashion Revue judging and Boys Buymanship Fashion Revue judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. in one of the classrooms. Doors will be marked on Monday morning so look for the signs.

The public Fashion Revue will be that evening, **7:30 p.m. at the Elk Valley Auditorium** following the Supporters and Friends of 4-H Picnic.

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**Supporters and Friends of 4-H Picnic**

4-H Council sponsors this event. The supper will be held **Monday, July 16, 6:30 p.m. at the Longton School Multi-Purpose Room.** The Public Fashion Revue will follow at 7:30 p.m. The Teen Leaders will be serving deli sandwiches, chips, and watermelon. Drinks will be provided.

In years past, I have encouraged 4-H families to invite trophy donors, livestock sale buyers, and other supporters and friends of 4-H. 4-H families need to continue to do this, however, this year I would encourage the 4-H clubs to “head up” the invitation process to supporters and friends of 4-H.

We cannot say thank you enough to our supporters and donors and this is another opportunity to thank them immediately before the 4-H Fair as well as providing a showcase for the Fashion Revue!
Foods Judging

The 4-H food entries will be judged by consultation, **Wednesday, July 18 at the Elk Valley School.** Two judges and two rooms will be used. The auditorium and FCS room will be the places of judging. Doors will be marked on Wednesday morning so look for the signs. The judging is scheduled by ages (as of January 1). Please bring your items to be judged during the following times:
- Age 7-9 and 10-13 -- 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
- Age 14 and older -- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Be prepared to leave your entries until the judging has been completed so that champions can be chosen.

Bring your foods to the judging on Wednesday, July 18 prepared as directed in the fairbook. Then after being judged, refrigerate a sample to display at the fair. A sample of each food’s entry will be displayed at the fair on the club’s food display table on Thursday, July 19. Ribbons will be awarded at the fair on Thursday.

Trophy Presentation Ceremony

**Thursday, July 19 -- Will be held between the Goat and Sheep Shows at the Show Barn.**

On page 31 of the 4-H/FFA Fairbook is a list of the Fair Awards for this year’s fair. At the trophy presentation ceremony, all the awards for the indoor exhibits will be presented. If you are a winner of any of these, please be present at the trophy ceremony to accept your award.

Livestock Exhibitors – Bedding at Fair

This year we would like the sheep, goat and cattle exhibitors to use shavings for bedding in the fair barns. Exhibitors are responsible for providing your own bedding.

Livestock Weigh In Schedule

Market animals are to be weighed on **Wednesday, July 18.** Schedule for the evening is as follows:

- 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. -- Weigh Market Hogs
- 5:45 - 6:15 p.m. -- Weigh Market Lambs
- 6:15 - 7:00 p.m. -- Weigh Market Goats & Doe Kids
- 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. -- Weigh Market Beef
- 7:30 - 8:00 p.m. -- Check in ALL Breeding Animals and Bucket Calves

If you have animals weighed and tagged as families, you need to declare at the scales which animal goes with which family member. Also, you need to declare at the scales which animal is breeding or market if that applies to you as well.

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Elk County Farm Bureau will serve ice cream on Wednesday evening.

Listed below are the weight and average daily gain requirements for each species. Minimum average daily gain requirements are calculated from spring weigh-in to the fair. For market beef that is 150 days and for hogs/sheep/goats it is 88 days.

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**Herdsmanship Contest**

Each livestock exhibitor at the fair has the obligation to the public and other exhibitors to have a clean, safe presentation. Each year clubs compete for the Herdsmanship trophy. This will be judged as a club exhibit, since livestock from each club will be penned close together. A traveling plaque is presented to the winning club at Achievement Banquet.

Displays are judged each day of the fair. Inspections are unannounced and unscheduled, but not made while the animals are being shown. Herdsmanship scoring is based on: feeding animals, exhibitor conduct, stall and pen identification, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, appearance of animals, arrangement of exhibits, educational value and clubs participation in cleanup before and after the fair.

Feeding and watering of cattle ideally should take place outside the fair barn. This should help minimize some of the mess in the barn.

**Destination Forms and Livestock Premium Sale**

In order to receive their premium sale check, members need to turn in a completed record book. You will receive a separate base bid check along with your thank you list of buyer(s). Also members must complete a **Destination Form** to be eligible to sell their animals. **This form must be returned to the Fair Superintendent or Extension Agent following the Beef Show on Friday evening.** The form will ask the member whether they are going to sell their animal(s) or not.

**Livestock Stall Assignments**

I will be making stall assignments a few days prior to the fair. As most of you are aware, the amount of space for livestock will be tight. The Fairboard and myself are trying are best to make sure everyone has the space needed for their exhibits. Please be courteous to your fellow 4-H’ers and families. I cannot guarantee that all club families/members will be stalled together for all species.
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