## June 2020

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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](http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h).*

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Our office is still closed to the public at this time. We are open by appointment only. Please call or email if you need something. Here is my contact information:

Email: [rfechter@ksu.edu](mailto:rfechter@ksu.edu)
Cell: 620-515-0149

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### 4-H Council Meeting

4-H Council will meet via Zoom on **Wednesday, June 17, 6:30 p.m.** I will email out the Zoom link and password a few days prior to the 4-H Council members and leaders.

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### Achievement Pins

A document listing some exceptions and clarifications for the different achievement pins that members can apply for has been developed for this year due to the COVID-19 situation with events being cancelled and some held virtually. The document is located at [https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/recordbooks/index.html](https://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/recordbooks/index.html) for your reference.
County Fair Information

Plans are continuing for the 2020 Elk County Fair with considerations for the impacts of COVID-19. A fair will be held, I just don’t know the specifics or exactly how it will look at this point in time. The health and safety of all attendees continue to be a top priority, while still giving our youth an opportunity to showcase their projects. **ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO THE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS.** Once the final details of the fair are known, updates will be provided and shared via Facebook and email.

Fairbooks and fair entry forms will be available for families to pick up at the Extension Office after June 10. Fashion Revue Script forms and judge’s forms will be available on the Rolling Prairie website. For more information about the fair, go to the following website: [http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/fair/index.html](http://www.rollingprairie.k-state.edu/elkcounty4h/fair/index.html) This is where all information and forms about the 4-H Fair are posted.

4-H/FFA fair entries are due **Monday, July 13 by 4:30 p.m. in the Extension Office.** 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 20!** On the information and judges form, please attach a picture of you and your outfit.

Put everything you might bring to the fair on your entry form. **ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER JULY 13.** Entries can be emailed or faxed to the Extension Office as well, but they still must be here by **4:30 p.m. on July 13.** 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.

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

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.

Livestock Premium Sale

Remember to be eligible for the premium sale members have completed the YQCA certification by July 1. See the article below for more information.

There will be no rate of gain requirement for sheep, swine and meat goats this year since we did not have a spring weigh in. The sale committee met last night and there WILL NOT be a minimum rate of gain this year for beef so that all four species are the same. However, all species must meet the weight range requirements to be eligible for the premium sale.

YQCA

To be eligible to sell at the premium sale at the county fair, members must be YQCA certified by July 1. EXCEPT members that are age 7. Age 7 youth cannot become certified through the on-line training so they will be exempt this year. Youth may become certified through the on-line session. The link to do this is [http://yqca.org](http://yqca.org/). The on-line training cost is $12. Once you complete the training, please email a copy of your certificate to Michael Hogan at hogankiko@gmail.com

Teen Leader Help at Fair

Depending on the type of fair we have this year, the amount of Teen Leaders that are needed to help will vary. In July, once I know more about the format of the fair and where help is needed, I will be asking for Teen Leaders to assist.
State Livestock Nominations

Listed below is information about the 2020 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: 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!

All forms (except DNA envelopes) and a Kansas Youth Livestock State Nomination Process “Rookie Guide” are available at: [http://www.asi.ks-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/](http://www.asi.ks-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/)

DNA envelopes are only available at the Extension Office. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO WORK ON THESE ITEMS OR GET ENVELOPES. CONTACT RICHARD IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO NOMINATE ANIMALS AND NEED ENVELOPES MAILED TO YOU OR TAGS.**

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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Lost 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 to check in at the fair. Let me know if your animal(s) lose a tag and I will get it retagged prior to the fair. I will probably schedule a day or two to go around and retag any animals that need to in July.

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4-H Campference

This event is for 4-H youth ages 12-14 who are ready to grow in their leadership and 4-H careers. This year Campference takes some of the fun aspects of 4-H camp and the learning components
of a conference and combines them to create a fun educational opportunity for middle school 4-H youth. It will include some of our favorites in a new way, like a talent show, a campfire, camp groups and a camp craft. Delegates will also be a part of a community conversation and participate in a skill building workshop with the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Registered participants will receive a 4-H Campference packet in the mail, which will include craft supplies, a detailed schedule, a few camp type surprises and other items needed for most all activities. Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council Members serve as counselors for this event.

Participation will require an internet connection and a device (computer, tablet or phone). For the sessions on Community Conversations and the closing (Wednesday sessions) a second device would be preferable, i.e., computer and phone or computer and tablet.

All youth planning to attend Campference should register. Youth must be 12-14 years old before January 1, 2020. The fee for each 4-H Campference Delegate is $20. Registration information can be found at www.Kansas4-H.org under the events registration tab. Online registration is required and open until all spots are filled or until June 12.

Southeast Area Livestock Contests

Contests include Livestock Judging, Livestock Skillathon, and Meats Judging will be held virtually this year. More information will be available later in June if you are interested.

Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament

The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament is open to all 4-H members. The contest runs throughout the year and ends September 15, 2020. Anglers can fish year round but entries must be in by the deadline, fish caught after the deadline may be entered in the next contest. Participants can enter in any species/categories that they catch fish – go fishing and have fun!!

One 4-H Angler of the Year will be named in each of the species/category listed below. These are fish commonly found in Kansas waters. Each Angler of the Year will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap, a frameable certificate, and a Wal Mart gift certificate to hopefully be used for fishing equipment (one per individual). All participants that enter a certified entry will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap.

The following species will make up the contest:

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RULES:
1. Must be enrolled in 4-H but do not have to be in the Sportfishing Project.

2. Entry must be measured by length, verified by a witness and be accompanied by a photo of the entry. (This is a minimum entry to receive a cap.)

3. To compete for Angler of the Year Award the entry must also be weighed and witnessed (digital hand scale is acceptable, no spring scales please.)

4. Fish can be caught anywhere in the state of Kansas.

5. Fish must be caught by a legal method as outlined in the current Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Fishing Regulations Summary.

6. Entries must be postmarked by September 15th or e-mailed by that date.

7. Entries are to be submitted to Tommie Berger 406 S. New York Ave. Sylvan Grove, KS 67481. bergkwf@wtciweb.com 785-524-6112
2020 Elk County 4-H Fair
Schedule of Events
(ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS)

Monday, July 20
4-H Horse Show -- Sedan

Wednesday, July 22
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

Wednesday, July 22
8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Indoor Exhibits non-Market Livestock Exhibits Checked In
10:00 a.m. Judging of Indoor Exhibits
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 30
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 31
9:00 a.m. 4-H Goat Fitting & Showing and Judging of Meat Goats
1:30 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, August 1
9:00 a.m. Round Robin
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Check out ALL entries (except sale animals)
6:30 p.m. 4-H/FFA Livestock Premium Sale