

K-State Research & Extension

Greenwood County 4-H News

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4-H Online

The deadline for new members to Enroll and the Add/Drop date for 4-H projects for all members on Kansas 4-H Online is Wednesday, May 1st. Leaders and volunteers must be enrolled on 4-H online.

4-H Regional Club Day

Regional Club Day is Saturday, March 23rd at Madison High School. If you receive a purple Champion at County Club Day, be on the lookout for an email with links to Sign-up Genius. **Please let the office know ASAP if you're not intending on going to Regional Level so we can notify the lavender Reserve Champion!**

March

- 1 State 4-H Scholarships due online
- 1 Kansas Maid Fundraiser forms due by 4:30pm
- 2 Kansas Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day
- 4 4-H Council Meeting—Joint with Lyon County
- 7 Archery Safety Meeting
- 14 State 4-H Horse Judging Contest
- 15 Beef Weigh-In noon-5pm @ Luthi's noon to 5pm
- 16 Entomology Project Meeting
- 16 Kansas Jr. Sheep Producer Day, Manhattan, KS
- 20 YQCA Training, 6:30pm @ Courthouse
- 22 Tentative Kansas Maid pick-up date!
- 23 Regional Club Day @ Madison High School

April

- 1 Judy Wiggins Scholarship applications due
- 1 Trophy Donor money & list due to Ext. Office
- 10 YQCA Training, 6:30pm @ Courthouse
- 13 Tractor Safety Class—Braden Room, 9am to noon
- 15 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy applications due (click [here](#) for more information)
- 20 Last day to order Market Beef DNA Envelopes (State Nominations)
- 20 Small Animal Weigh-in
- 28 Flint Hills Classic

May

- 1 Market Beef Nominations post-mark deadline
- 1 4-H Online new member enrollment deadline
- 1 4-H Online Project Add/Drop deadline
- 16 County 4-H Camp, 6pm @ Concourse Building
- 31 Horse ID Papers due to Extension Office

June

- 1 FairEntry Opens!
- 5 Small Livestock DNA envelope order deadline
- 5-7 Discovery Days
- 11-14 Kansas Range Youth Camp
- 14 GW Co Fair Shooting Sports entries due in FairEntry
- 15 Small Livestock & Commercial Heifer Nominations deadline
- 22 Multi-County 4-H Dog Show
- 22 GW Co Fair Archery Competition @ 9 am
- 23 GW Co Fair Shotgun Competition @ 4 pm
- 23 Shooting Sports Banquet @ 7 pm
- 25 SE Area Contests—Emporia
- 27 SE Area Livestock Contests—Location TBD

Record Books and Pin Applications



It's never too early to start working on record books & pin applications. In fact, it's much easier to work on throughout the year. Pin applications have been updated this year. Check those out, as well as helpful trainings for record keeping via project report forms on Adobe and ZBooks [HERE](#).

Kansas Maid Fundraiser



The Greenwood County 4-H Foundation appreciates the County 4-H members hard work in raising funds for continued improvements for future years. Forms and are due to the Extension office no later than 4:30pm on Friday, March 1st. Please check with your leaders on when they are due for your club. Leaders please turn in your club's orders & payment together. The top five salespersons will be awarded (\$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, \$10). The tentative pick-up date is Friday, March 22nd. Leaders will receive an email as the date gets closer. If you have questions, please contact the Extension office.



Livestock Tagging

Beef weigh-in is Friday, March 15th from noon to 5pm at Luthi's, 3673 Z Rd., Madison. Beef Tags are \$4.00

Market and commercial females will need to be tagged at spring weigh-in to be able to show at the Greenwood County Fair. If you have purebred animals that have registration papers they will not be required to be tagged, but you must turn in a copy of those registration papers to the Extension Office by the spring Small Animal weigh-in date. You may email them to Ben (benjam63@ksu.edu). All livestock must be castrated or banded by spring weigh-in.

Small Animal Weigh-In

Weigh-in and tag for swine, sheep, meat goats, and bucket calf is Saturday, April 20th. Tags are \$4 each.

Approximate weigh-in schedule:

- 8:00am Hogs
- 9:30am Goats
- 10:00am Sheep
- 10:30am Bucket Calves



Flint Hills Classic


The Flint Hills Classic will be held on Sunday, April 28th. The 4-H Council voted to host a concession stand during the Flint Hills Classic Livestock show. All that is needed is the help of 4-H club members and some adult volunteers to operate the concession stand. 4-H Council has assembled the following schedule for clubs to come and help. Approximately two (2) adults and five (5) 4-Hers are needed for each shift. The 11:30am - 1:00pm shift will need an additional 1-2 helpers. All proceeds from the concession stand will benefit the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation, and will be used to improve fairground facilities.

Concession Schedule:

- * 6:30am – 8:00am Fancy Mustangs
- * 8:00am – 10:00am Madison Pacesetters
- * 10:00am – 11:30am Fall River 55'ers
- * 11:30am – 1:00pm Harmony Sunflowers
- * 1:00pm – 3:00pm Racing Wranglers
- * 3:00pm – 5:00pm Willow Valley Go-Getters



YQCA Training



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Mark Your Calendars!

March 20th & April 10th @ 6:30 pm
Greenwood County Courthouse

YQCA Training is required to show at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and the Kansas State Fair. This program must be completed each year. These trainings will be "in person" and require a \$3 sign up fee.

Other opportunities for In-Person YQCA Training:

- ◇ March 12 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ◇ March 18 in Howard
- ◇ April 18 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ◇ April 24 in Sedan
- ◇ May 30 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado

****Sign-up by logging into your YQCA account @ yqcaprogram.org and selecting only one session.**

2024 Market Beef Nomination Information

Market Beef Nomination must be postmarked by Wednesday, May 1st. Please see nomination information at www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu

All 2024 state livestock nomination information will be posted on the "Nomination Information" tab of the KSU Youth Livestock website.

Important: All animals that are nominated for the Kansas Junior Livestock Show and Kansas State Fair will be required to be tagged with the Kansas 4-H EID tags in 2024. DNA hair samples in official DNA envelopes are also required.

**Exhibitors must contact their local Extension Office to get their animals tagged and further details on state nomination.



4-H Council Corner

Next 4-H Council meeting will be Monday, March 4th at 7pm at the Souder Center. Items on the agenda include:

- Fair Building Watch Day/Times
- Trash Duty Times
- 4-H Camp Recruitment



Discovery Days

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days is planning to be in-person on KSU campus!

When: June 5th - 7th, 2024

Who: Youth ages 13 - 18 before January 1, 2024 are invited to register

Cost: TBA

Registration: Coming soon!

General Schedule: TBA

Discovery Days objectives:

- Help youth learn new ideas, techniques, and skills they can use personally and in their 4-H clubs or groups and communities
- Give youth in-depth training through hands-on educational sessions from content and youth development experts
- Prepare youth to make informed decisions about their careers and college path
- Enhance personal growth by giving opportunities to develop responsibility, confidence, independence, accountability, problem-solving, decision-making, and time management skills
- Help youth meet new people and make new friends from different places and with different backgrounds from across the state
- Provide an opportunity for youth to experience the K-State campus and its wealth of resources
- Develop college and career readiness skills which prepare participants academically and socially for a successful transition to college and life as an adult

Scholarships

Kansas 4-H Scholarship:

The online applications for the 2024-25 Kansas 4-H Scholarship are available and due by March 1st. The process has been modified and changes will take effect for the 2024-25 scholarship application process.

Please review all of the documentation thoroughly. The information you will need for this scholarship are available on the following link: <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

Judy Wiggins Scholarship:

The Judy Wiggins Memorial scholarship application will be due April 1st. Copies of the application are available by request from the Extension Office.

Kansas Range Youth Camp



For more information or to register, visit <https://www.kglc.org/range-youth-camp.cfm>

Entomology Project Meeting

The next Entomology project meeting will be Saturday, March 16th at the Allen County Extension Office. We will begin at 1:00 p.m. Bring your pinning supplies and insects to pin. Make sure to put insects in your relaxing chamber for 24 hours before the meeting. We will continue to work on the service project we started in February. If you have not started on this, you will have time to catch up in March - please bring 75 cents for the supplies. If you have not gotten the template for making the labels to go under each insect in your collection, please bring a zip drive so we can get that for you. Questions - call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

Horse ID Papers



Horse ID's are due in the Extension Office by Friday, May 31st. Get one here: <https://www.bookstore.ksre.k-state.edu/pubs/P1039.pdf> or pick one up at the Extension Office.

Congratulations to all Greenwood County 4-H members who participated in this year's 4-H Club Day!!

Shooting Sports Archery Safety Meeting 4-H Archery Gearing Up!!

We will host a 4-H Archery Safety Meeting on Thursday, March 7th @ 7:00pm.

The location is Wrathnak Archery & Range, 111 N Main-Eureka. There are approximately 11 kids that still need to attend the safety meeting before participating in practices. If you aren't sure...please ask. This is the last safety meeting before practices start.

Contact me if you have any questions.
Brad Boulanger, GW Co 4-H Archery Instructor
620 583-8008
Join the "Greenwood County 4-H Archery" Facebook page for all archery member information

Dog Project Facebook Page

Our 4-H Dog Project Leader, Suellen Appellof, has created a private Greenwood Co 4-H Dog Project Facebook group! If you are in the project, we encourage you to reach out to Suellen to join the group to stay up-to-date on everything that is going on with the project and upcoming project meetings and training sessions.

The 4-H Dog Project in Greenwood County is a fun and educational activity for dog owners and their pets. It offers engaging activities such as Showmanship, Rally/Obedience, and more. Practices take place at the Greenwood County Fairgrounds and weekly classes will start on April 1st.

If you are interested in participating or learning more, contact Suellen Appellof at (907) 841-4713 or suel-len.appellof@gmail.com. She has 15 years experience training, competing, & showing her own dogs in AKC venues. She is also involved in local & national dog organizations.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to improve your dog's skills and have a great training and competition experience with the Greenwood County 4-H Dog Project!

Youth Farm Safety Workshop

On April 13, at the fairgrounds, there will be a Youth Farm Safety Workshop from 9 am—Noon. This class is open to all youth and will include a hands-on portion working with farm equipment, and a class session. Topics will include proper safety measures around farm equipment, operation and identification of farm equipment, and general farm safety practices. Registration information will be located in the March Newsletter, social media, and local newspapers. Snacks and beverages will be provided. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to Wes Wunderlich at weswunderlich@gmail.com, or Ben Sims at ben-jam63@ksu.edu.

New This Year! Dairy Goats at the County Fair!



We are happy to announce that there will be a Dairy Goat Division at the 2024 Greenwood County Fair. Detailed show rules will be released in the Fair Book on June 1st. Animals must be dehorned and debudded.

Does must be ADGA or AGS registered. Registration papers or stamped duplicate registration applications will be required for all registered animals. Animal papers must be in the name of the 4-Hers by June 1 or show ownership by June 1 for grades. Each exhibitor is limited to 4 entries for the entire dairy goat show, with a max of 2 entries per age division (i.e. 2 Jr Does and 2 Sr. Does). Animals without registration papers or legible tattoos, will show with recorded grades, on a bill of sale. Those animals must also be identified by an official USDA Scrapie Premise I.D. tag. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Agent, Ben Sims, by calling the office at 620-583-7455 or emailing him directly at benjam63@ksu.edu

Fair Concessions Stand

If any group associated with 4-H (club, project group, etc.) would like to sign-up for a time to run the Concession Stand at the Fair as a Fundraiser, please contact the Extension Office.

Concessions Schedule:

Friday:

9a-2p Madison Pacesetters
2-9p Hamilton H Club

Saturday:

9a-2p Madison FFA Boosters
2-9p Madison FFA Boosters

Sunday:

4-9p GW Co Shooting Sports

Horse Judging Camp & Contest

Kansas 4-H, Kansas Quarter Horse Association, and EquiFest of Kansas are teaming up to host the 2024 Kansas State 4-H Horse Judging Contest. The Contest will be held March 14, 2024, in conjunction with EquiFest of Kansas in Salina. Two contests are available- an open contest and a 4-H contest. Kansas 4-H members age 9-18 are invited to participate in the 4-H contest, and may also participate in the open contest. Youth of any age are eligible to participate in the open contest hosted by Kansas Quarter Horse Association. Cost to enter the first contest is \$15. Registration for both contests is \$25. Coaches should register teams and individuals [here](#). Registration closes March 8th. Please be sure to read all rules prior to entry- [4-H Horse Judging rules](#).

Leaders' Notes

- ◆ **Volunteer Screening:** If you know of any 4-H volunteers that have not registered and gone through the screening process, please let the office know immediately! The Extension Office wishes to ensure that **ALL** Greenwood County 4-H Volunteers, both new and old, have gone through the appropriate steps of screening to be 4-H Volunteers. Per the Kansas 4-H Policy Handbook: It is a privilege, not a right, to be a 4-H Volunteer. These volunteers are expected to adhere to the Kansas 4-H Code of Conduct found [HERE](#). New volunteers must complete the initial steps of: 4-H Online profile creation, References, Criminal Background Check, Interview, Orientation, and Approval before they can serve as a 4-H Volunteer. All information must be kept current in the 4-H Online system. A Kansas 4-H Volunteer is defined as any "Adult providing direct supervision to youth at a 4-H program; making decisions on behalf of the 4-H program; having access to private data of 4-H youths or volunteers; and/or handling funds as part of 4-H and must complete the volunteer screening process, be accepted, and enrolled as a KS 4-H Volunteer." We need your help as leaders to ensure we are completing screening for all volunteers. Current volunteers should go through a rerunning of a Criminal Background Check every three years.
- ◆ **Kansas Maid Fundraiser:** Orders are due to Extension Office by 4:30pm on Friday, March 1st. **Please have checks made payable to your club.** Leaders please turn in your club's orders together on one form and with one check from your club for the total amount due for all orders. Tentative pickup date is Friday, March 22nd.
- ◆ **Beef weigh-in:** Friday, March 15th noon to 5pm at Luthi's, 3673 Z Rd, Madison. Beef Tag's are \$4.00. All youth with livestock will be required to have a signed copy of the Premium Sale Rules on file in order to sell their animal. Required signatures will be from both the 4-H'er and their guardian. This will be completed at each Spring weigh-in.
- ◆ **County Fair 4-H Archery and Shotgun Shoots:** For this year only, the county fair shooting sports events will not be on their normal weekend. The schedules will stay the same. The new dates are: Archery Contest Saturday June 22nd, Shotgun shoot Sunday, June 23rd, and Shooting Sports Banquet Sunday, June 23rd. The banquet will be at the Concourse Building at the fairgrounds. Shooting sports entries will be due on June 14th in Fair Entry
- ◆ **Regional 4-H Day:** Saturday, March 23rd @ Madison High School
- ◆ **Judy Wiggins Scholarship:** Applications available at the Extension office and are due April 1st.
- ◆ **Small Animal weigh-in:** Saturday, April 20th. Tag's are \$4.00

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YOUTH FARM SAFETY WORKSHOP

Who: Youth of all ages

What: General farm safety
Safe Tractor Operation
Farm implement safety
Farm equipment ID

When: Saturday, April 13
(9 am - Noon)

Where: Concourse Building
210 N Jefferson St. Eureka

RSVP by April 5th at 620-583-7455
or by emailing benjam63@ksu.edu



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