

K-State Research & Extension

Greenwood County 4-H News

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Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service x February 2023



February

- 10 Fair Theme Ideas due to Extension Office
- 12 "4-H Day with Wildcat Women's Basketball" (registration was due January 15th)
- 18 Entomology Project Meeting - Iola, KS
- 19-20 CIA @ the Topeka State Capitol (registration due February 1st)
- 20 Willie & the Beanstalk Contest starts (Information can be found [here!](#))
- 22 Club Leaders check email for County 4-H Club Day Group presentations sign up (Due February 24th)
- 24-25 4-H Ambassador Training - Rock Springs (registration due February 1st)
- 27 County 4-H Day registration opens on SignUpGenius (entries due March 3rd)

March

- 1 State 4-H Scholarships due online
- 5 Shooting Sports Archery Safety Meeting, 4pm @ Wrathnak
- 8 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 7pm
- 11 Entomology Project Meeting - Iola, KS
- 11 County 4-H Club Day @ Hamilton School
- 11 Kansas Jr. Swine Producer Day, Manhattan, KS (registration deadline is February 15th)
- 13 Kansas Maid Fundraiser forms due (with payment) by 4:30pm to the Extension Office
- 17 Beef Weigh-In noon-5pm @ Luthi's
- 18 Kansas Jr. Meat Goat Producer Day, Manhattan, KS (registration deadline is February 22nd)
- 18 County 4-H Club Day Snow Date
- 24 Documentation deadline for Willie & the Beanstalk
- 25 Regional Club Day @ Madison High School
- 31 Tentative Kansas Maid pick-up date!

April

- 1 Judy Wiggins Scholarship applications due
- 1 Willie & the Beanstalk judging in Manhattan, KS
- 4 YQCA Training @ Courthouse, 7pm
- 15 K-State Animal Science Leadership Academy applications due (click [here](#) for more information as the website is updated!)
- 29 Small Animal Weigh-in
- 30 Flint Hills Classic



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 have been distributed in the 4-H clubs boxes and are due to the Extension office no later than 4:30pm on Monday, March 13th. Leaders please turn in your club's orders together. The top five salespersons will be awarded (\$50, \$40, \$30, \$20, \$10). Money from this fundraiser helps support the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation with everything they do to run the fair and make fair ground improvements. If you have questions, please contact Kristina at the Extension office.

2023 Greenwood County Fair Theme

The 120th Greenwood County Fair is **July 28-31, 2023!** Each 4-H club is encouraged by the Greenwood County 4-H Foundation to be creative and submit a theme for the fair. Last year's theme "Life is Better at the Greenwood County Fair" appeared on fair t-shirts, the fair paper, newspaper advertisements, and on the radio. Entries are due in the Extension office by 4:30 pm on Friday, February 10th. Below is a list of requirements to fit our graphic needs:

- **Black and White Only**
- **Digital Design (no hand drawn ideas)**
- **Size should be 8 inches x 8 inches**

4-H County Club Day

This year's 4-H County Club Day is just ahead, Saturday, March 11th at Hamilton Elementary School. Guidelines were included in the December newsletter relating to how to make entries, times, ages, etc. Cloverbuds may participate in Show & Share and club skits.

We will be offering the Interview contest again this year. New this year, Top Blue will be eligible to go on to Regional Club Day! View attached documents or our website for more details: <https://www.greenwood.k-state.edu/4-h/4-heventsactivities/index.html>

4-H Regional Club Day

Regional club days is planned for **March 25th at the Madison High School**. Save the date and start planning for events!

Scholarships

Kansas 4-H Scholarships:

The online applications for the 2023 Kansas 4-H Scholarships are online. All applications with supporting documentation & reference letters must be submitted no later than March 1st! The information for these scholarships is 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.

Citizenship in Action

Citizenship in Action (CIA) will be on February 19th and 20th this year. Registration is due on February 1st.

<https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/citizenship-in-action/index.html>

Livestock Tagging

Beef weigh-in is Friday, March 17th from noon to 5pm at Luthi's. Beef Tag's are \$4.00

Market and breeding 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 by 4:30pm on Friday, April 14th to the Extension office. You may email them to Kristina (kpelky@ksu.edu). All livestock must be castrated or banded by spring weigh-in.

2023 Market Beef Nomination Information

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

All 2023 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 2023. 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.

Flint Hills Classic

The Flint Hills Classic will be held Sunday, April 30th, 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 members and some adult volunteers to operate the concessions stand. 4-H Council has assembled the following schedule for clubs to come and help. Approximately 2 adults and 5 4-Hers are needed. The 11:30am-1:00pm shift will need 2-3 more than that. 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	Willow Valley Go-Getters
* 10:00am – 11:30am	Madison Pacesetters
* 11:30am – 1:00pm	Fall River 55'ers
* 1:00pm – 3:00pm	Harmony Sunflowers
* 3:00pm – 5:00pm	Racing Wranglers

Small Animal Weigh-In

Weigh-in and tag for swine, sheep, meat goats, and bucket calf is Saturday, April 29th. Tags are \$4 each.

Due to the large amount of Flint Hills Classic entries in the past years we are encouraging you to weigh all your animals on Saturday regardless if you're participating in the Flint Hills Classic.

Approximate weigh-in schedule:

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



4-H Council Corner

The Greenwood County 4-H Council met on Wednesday, January 18th. These items were discussed and voted on during the 4-H council meeting.

- ⇒ 4-Hers will do the concessions during the Flint Hills Classic. The schedule will rotate.
- ⇒ The Kansas Maids Fundraiser will be held again. Orders are due in the extension office by 4:30pm on Monday, March 13th.

K-State Junior Producer Days

K-State Junior Swine Producer Day:

Date: Saturday, March 11th

Cost: \$20/person by February 15th (\$25/person after February 15th)

- * Registration must be RECEIVED by February 15th to receive a t-shirt
- * Both youth & adults attending need to register

Online Registration:

<https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND>

K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day:

Date: Saturday, March 18th

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****An instructor-led YQCA certification class will also be offered at the end of the day for each program. You will need indicate if you plan to stay for this optional class during the registration process. More details on registering for the appropriate course through the YQCA website will be sent only to those who plan to stay and attend. You will need to complete an extra step to register through the YQCA platform and pay the additional \$3.00/child fee. The junior day registration is independent from the YQCA class and does not include that additional fee.****

Entomology Project Meeting

There will be an Entomology project meeting in lola at the Allen County Extension Office on Saturday, March 11th at 1:30pm. We will concentrate on pinning. If you don't have a pinning board or insect pins, I will have basic pinning set ups available to purchase for \$10. Please bring a zip drive or laptop. I will get a spreadsheet set up for you to do your labels on. Questions? Call Vicky at (620)804-9170.

Dog Project Opportunity



New volunteer, Suellen Appellof, is interested in helping members learn more about the dog project. She has 15 years experience training, competing, & showing her own dogs in AKC venues. She is also involved in local & national dog organizations. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Suellen at suellen.appllof@gmail.com or (907) 841-4713.

Shooting Sports Archery Safety Meeting

Required Safety Meeting - ARCHERY ONLY!!

We are hosting a safety meeting on Sunday, March 5th @ 4pm at Wrathnak Archery & Range, 111 N Main St, Eureka, KS. Please make EVERY EFFORT to attend!!

If you child has attended 2 safety meeting with Greenwood County Shooting Sports, they are EXEMPT from further safety meetings. We will have pre-practice refreshers; but if you want your child to attend... they are more than welcome. In the past there has been a little confusion on the requirement to meet the safety meeting requirement and a minimum of 2 practices to be eligible for the county fair competition and state qualifiers. There is no change to this rule.

Please do NOT bring your bow or arrows into the Safety Meeting. If your child has not been shooting their bow since last 4-H season, you are encouraged to bring it in after the meeting or schedule a time to meet up with Brad to ensure their draw length and arrow length is correct before they start shooting again.

As per the state extension regulations the Kansas 4-H Shooting Sports program activities cannot be held virtually.

Contact Annissa Boulanger, Greenwood County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator at fivebtribe@gmail.com or (620) 583-4100 if you have any questions.



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Mark Your Calendars!

March 8th & April 4th @ 7pm- Greenwood County Courthouse Meeting Room

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 15 @ 7pm in Howard
- ⇒ March 21 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ⇒ April 6 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ⇒ April 26 @ 7pm in Sedan
- ⇒ May 4 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado
- ⇒ May 30 @ 6:30pm in El Dorado

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

Leaders' Notes

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Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Livestock Skillathon, and Livestock Quiz Bowl Practice

The 2023 Contest Season is soon approaching and it is time to get started with preparations. Any 4-Her that is 4-H age 11 or older that is interested in Livestock Judging, Meat Judging, Livestock Skillathon, or Livestock Quiz Bowl is invited to join practices. Jeanna Beeman and Carla Davis will be coordinating the practices and contest attendance. Please contact Carla with the 4-Her's name, an email for parents, and phone number.

NOTE: Practices will be scheduled on average once a week and will be held at RanchLand Feed, LLC in Madison.

Per county rules anyone that would like to attend the Kansas State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes in Manhattan at KSU in August must attend our SE Area Contests that are tentatively scheduled for June 16, 2023.

The first Meat Judging Contest is in April.

A parent meeting will be scheduled to share details and dates.

4-Her age 11 is due to the fact that the materials and concepts we cover are very detailed.

If you have any questions, please contact Carla Davis at (620) 437-6315 or gregncarladavis@gmail.com.