Club Day Moved to February 24

Club Days will be on February 24 at South Barber High School. The schedule will start around 9:00 A.M., but the building will be open by 8:00 A.M. for those needing a chance for one last practice. Each club is asked to bring a snack to share (2 dozen cookies or snack bars) 4-H Council will provide water.

The entries are due February 12 from the Club Leaders to the Extension Office. An online schedule will be posted by the 16th on barber.ksu.edu and shared on the Facebook page.

Virtual entries are allowed. They will need to be emailed to me (reubank@ksu.edu) by February 22. As a reminder, according to 4-H Council Standing Rules, these entries will not be eligible for top blue or Regional Club Day.

The Club Day Guidelines are in a flipbook format. This includes 2 changes and updated scoresheets.
Change 1 - The Project Talk age group was increased to include all juniors (age 7-13).

Change 2 - A Junior Public Speaking was added. It will follow the same rules as the Senior Public Speaking. These changes were made across all of the counties in the Regional Club Day.

Regional Club Day will March 23 at Medicine Lodge HS.
Fair Changes, Repeat from January

The 2024 Fair will be July 25-28. The Fair Board and the Extension Council have had great discussions on some changes. One of the biggest changes is following a change at the state level.

Starting this year, animals sold during a premium sale may be shown again including at Kansas Junior Livestock Show and Kansas State Fair. The Barber County Fair Board has edited its Premium Rules to be in line with this.

Starting with 2024, 4-H members will be required to attend half of their club meetings between October 1 and the County Fair to be eligible to sell in the Premium Sale. This includes animals and food.

First, the rule about swine age will now be: Market Swine must be born after December 1 of the previous year. Previously it was January 1 of the current year.

The second change is adding a prospect class to the Swine Show. The class is for swine tagged for KJLS or KSF. The animals in this class must have a State tag (EID). We will continue to accept tagging information on these animals until June 15 to correlate with KJLS and KSF nomination deadline. Entries in this class will not be eligible for Grand Champion Market Swine and will not count towards the breed maximum of 2.

2024 Tagging Policy: For the 2024 Barber County Fair, all market and breeding animals will be identified by a State EID Tag, a Barber County Tag, Scrapie Tag or a Tattoo. This number will be submitted with 3 photos (Front, Side, & Side) by the deadlines announced in the 4-H Newsletter. Tags will be available for purchase in the Barber County Extension Office.
Regional Club Day

Regional Club Day will be March 23 at the Medicine Lodge High School. Usually, the schedule starts around 9:00 P.M.

Entries will be due March 5 to the Extension Office. All Top Blues will be eligible to attend. Alternate Top Blues will be notified if the Top Blue recipient is unable to attend.

4-H Council on February 26

4-H Council will be on February 26 at 7:00 P.M. at the Assembly of God Church at 701 N. Iliff in Medicine Lodge.

That night, 4-H Council will select the Fair Theme. This will be done so the Fair Board has time to hold a Fairbook Cover Contest. Please have your clubs brainstorm ideas to share.

Club Day Ribbons and comment sheets will be available at this meeting for club leaders.

4-H Foundation

In an effort to help keep people more informed on the role of the Barber County 4-H Foundation, the minutes from their meetings will be included in the 4-H Newsletter. Please thank these board members for helping support Barber County 4-H.
Looking Ahead. . . .

February
- Citizenship in Action in Topeka, February 18-19
- Last day to submit Ag Agent Applications Feb. 19
- Club Days - February 24 starting at 9:00 AM

March
- Market Beef Tagging, due March 1
- K-State Jr. Sheep Producer Day, March 16
- Regional Club Days, March 23
- Super Saturday Judging Contests Hays, March 23

May
- Spring Show & All Other Tagging, due May 4

June
- Discovery Days in Manhattan, June 5-7
- Multi-County Camp, June 11-13
- Insect Spectacular, June 14-15
- Prospect Swine Tags Due June 15

July
- Pre-Entries Due July 9
- Barber County Fair Fashion Show, July 17 & 19
- Barber County Fair Perishable Foods, July 19
- Barber County Fair Horse Show, July 20
- Barber County Fair, July 25-28

August
- Entry Deadline for non-livestock State Fair Exhibits - August 13

September
- Exhibits Due in Office for State Fair - September 3
- Kansas State Fair September 6-15
No Club Notes this month.

Scholarships

The Barber County 4-H Foundation Scholarship applications will be reviewed at an upcoming meeting. These will be awarded to Seniors at their Scholarship Recognition Night.

Barber County Cattlemen have announced their scholarship is due by February 9 and is available at https://forms.gle/4J2MAFjvZytRct6Y7

Kansas 4-H Statewide Scholarship Information is available at https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html
2024-25 Kansas 4-H Scholarship
Scholarships are due March 1st, 2024 by 11:59PM CST
APPLY HERE
REFERENCE SUBMISSION

The Barber County Horse Scholarship and Barber County Fair Scholarship will be due with Fair Pre-Entries. Forms will be available in the first part of June.

4-H Super Saturday in Hays

The event will be held in Hays this year on the FHSU campus (Albertson Hall and Livestock Pavilion) Saturday, March 23rd. We look forward to having a great turn-out for the judging, hope some will stay for the Project Opportunities and Volunteers and Parents will participate in the learning session for them as well.

Youth 7-18 can participate see the flyer for all information about the day and the registration deadline!!

There is a $7 Registration Fee for one contest or if they choose to participate in any number of the provided contests. Sack Lunches for participants and parents can be ordered for $8 each on the registration Qualtrics form.

Project Opportunities are available from 1:00 to 3:00pm (IF you are NOT participating in the Livestock Judging Contest) see the additional information for details and cost
Record All Public Presentations

Sometimes groups will ask you to share about a 4-H Project or maybe you share something at the Manor. How many times do you share a project talk or demonstration at a club meeting?

These are often things we do without thinking about needing to record them. Make notes in your 4-H Book or on a calendar. Sometimes the 4-H Record Book is not the handiest tracking tool. A simple calendar for the year can be a great tool to keep with 4-H materials. Note who you presented to, what the topic was and how many people were there.

Do you need to find groups you can share with? Visit with Robin for some ideas of groups that would love to hear about your 4-H Projects. This can be a practice before Club Day, or just one more place to showcase your hard work on that Project Talk, Demonstration or Public Speaking.

Remember that non-4-H Talks that relate to the project should also be recorded. For FFA members, this is a great place to note any public speaking experience that also relates to your 4-H projects.
2024 Kansas 4-H Scholarships

Scholarships are due March 1st, 2023 by 11:59PM CST.

Full details are available on the Kansas 4-H Website under Scholarships
For the sake of clarity in the following information, there will be two types of scholarships referenced; State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP).

Eligibility
The new scholarship process has combined the State 4-H Scholarships and the Vanier Family Scholarship Program (VFSP) applications together. We hope that this encourages more applicants to pursue both of these scholarship opportunities. Please review the chart on the webpage to see which scholarships you are eligible for.

What You Will Need to Apply:
Application
Part 1: Select the scholarship program(s) that you are applying for (State 4-H Scholarships and/or the Vanier Family Scholarship Program.
Part 2: Answer questions regarding demographics, general 4-H participation, and academic information.
Part 3: Attach your Cover Letter and Resume (in a PDF). Please reference the Cover Letter and Resume handouts for additional information.
Guidelines
Cover Letter
Resume
Part 4: Submit!

References
You need two references for your application to be considered complete. When identifying references, select individuals who can speak to the leadership, dedication, and commitment you have demonstrated. You should NOT use family members as a reference. There are no requirements and/or restrictions for how you should know your references.
References will NOT submit a letter of recommendation. References will be asked specific questions.

This is separate from the Barber County 4-H Foundation Scholarship.
Junior Beef Day and Junior Sheep Day

Junior producer days are hosted to provide educational material and hands-on experiences for youth, parents, leaders, and extension agents. Various speakers share information on topics such as selection, nutrition, showmanship, fitting, reproduction, feeding, and disease control. Talks, demonstrations, hands-on activities, and door prizes are present at all events. Beef and Sheep days are held in the even years and Swine and Meat Goat days are held in the odd years.

*Education materials from previous events are located under the "Education Materials and Resources" tab.*

2024 Junior Beef Producer Day
Date: Saturday, March 2, 2024
Cost: $20/person
Registration Deadline: February 12, 2024
[Flyer]

2024 Junior Sheep Producer Day
Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024
Cost: $20/person
Registration Deadline: February 26, 2024
[Flyer]

Statewide Photography Project Leader Training

A 4-H Photography Project Leader Training will be held in Erie, Ks. on Saturday, March 2 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The training will take place at Neosho Valley Event Center at 321 N. Wood, Erie, Ks. 66733. A light lunch will be provided. Please register at: [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6ffuQrOQf0Q7pu6](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6ffuQrOQf0Q7pu6) by February 28th. There is no cost associated with this training, but we do require a minimum of 5 attendees, or the event will not take place. Thank you to the Kansas 4-H photography committee for sponsoring this event!

See Flyer included at the end of the newsletter.
K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means of communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact Robin Eubank-Callis two weeks prior to the start of the event at 620-886-3971 or reubank@ksu.edu. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information, will be provided free of charge to limited English proficient individuals upon request.

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NW 4-H
Judging Event
Super Saturday

Saturday, March 23, 9:00am - Finish

Host Site: FHSU Albertson Hall on campus and Livestock Pavilion north of I-70. Hays, Kansas

Judging Contests include:
Crops, Entomology, Horticulture, Life Skills, Photography, Livestock Skill-a-thon and Livestock Judging

Project Opportunities: (These are for NON-LIVESTOCK Judging youth)
1) KS Shooting Sports Ambassadors will host a non shooting, educational, hands-on activity.
2) The Ins and Outs of the dog project - make a parachute cord leash and other dog project related learning activities - $8.00
3) Hands-on STEM activities that coordinate with basic engineering and match up with several 4-H projects.
4) Club meeting ideas, activities and challenges, that are great for officer leadership teams.
5) Fiber Arts - Bohemian Macramé wall hanging - $15

Volunteer Sessions for Parents and Volunteers - Free
Sack Lunches provided with mandatory RSVP - $8.00

Registration Link:
https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6n7ovscdg5SbzEO

If you have any questions concerning this event, you may contact Robyn Trussel at 785-798-5020 or rdeines@ksu.edu or Chandra Plate at 620-388-7157 or cplate@ksu.edu

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4-H PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT LEADER TRAINING

SATURDAY, MARCH 2
ERIE, KS.

NEOSHO VALLEY EVENT CENTER
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Who should register:
4-H Photography 4-H Leaders in the Southeast Area or beyond! We welcome all who would like to learn tips, tricks and lessons for teaching photography youth in your local extension unit. We are requesting a minimum of five attendees for the training; training will not be held otherwise.

Registration:
https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6ffuQrOQf0O7pu6

Address:
Neosho Valley Event Center
321 N. Wood
Erie, Ks 66733

Lunch:
A light lunch will be served. Please indicate any dietary needs on the registration form.

Cost:
No charge to attend! Event is sponsored by the State 4-H Photography Committee.

Accommodations:
K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the event contact, Amy Collins, two weeks prior to the start of the event at 785-532-5800 and acollins@ksu.edu. Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so.
Registration for 4-H camp at Rock Springs Ranch is now open!

At Rock Springs Ranch, campers unplug, make friends, learn lifelong skills and have fun in the Flint Hills of Kansas.
Join us March 2, 2024, for the K-State Junior Beef Producer Day in Weber Arena on the Kansas State University campus. This event will be a fun-filled, educational day of activities in which youth, parents, beef project leaders, and extension agents can expand their knowledge of youth beef projects. Presentations and demonstrations by K-State faculty, staff, K-State livestock judging team members, and guest speakers will cover topics such as selection, nutrition, meat science, reproduction, health, grooming, and showmanship. An optional YQCA certification session will be offered at the end of the day. A complimentary lunch and t-shirt (early registrations) will be provided. The registration fee is $20/person for those who sign up by February 12 and $25 for those who register after the deadline. Only those who register by February 12 will receive a t-shirt. This is a family event! Anyone attending must register, including youth and adults.

**Tentative Schedule**

8:00AM Check-in & Registration
9:30AM Welcome
9:45AM Project Selection
10:30AM Morning Breakout Sessions
- Nutrition, Meat Science, Daily Hair Care, Clipping & Fitting
NOON Lunch
1:00PM Afternoon Breakout Sessions
- Health, Reproduction, Showmanship
3:15PM Wrap-up & Dismissal
3:30PM YQCA Certification & State Livestock Nominations (optional)

**Registration**

Registration Deadline: February 12
Registration Fee: $20/person
Late Registration: $25/person after February 12

*All attendees must register, including youth & adults.
**Late registrants will not receive a t-shirt.
***To register by mail, contact Lexie for a paper registration form.
Join us for K-State Junior Sheep Producer Day on Saturday, March 16, 2024, in Weber Hall on the Kansas State University campus. Presentations and demonstrations will be provided by featured guests, as well as K-State faculty, staff, and students. This event will be a fun-filled, educational day of activities in which youth, parents, extension agents, and sheep project leaders can increase their knowledge of youth sheep project selection and management. Topics include project selection, nutrition and feeding, facilities, health, reproduction, meat science, wool, clipping and grooming, showmanship, and an optional YQCA certification at the end of the day. This event is designed for all ages and skill levels. Lunch is included. The registration fee is $20/person for those who sign up by February 26, or $25/person for those who register after that date. Only those who register by February 26 will receive a t-shirt. This is a family event! Anyone attending, including both youth and adults, must register.

8:30AM Check-in & Registration
9:30AM Welcome
9:45AM Project Selection
10:30AM Morning Breakout Sessions
  - Nutrition, Facilities & Equipment, Starter Flock
NOON Lunch
12:45PM Health
1:30PM Afternoon Breakout Sessions
  - Wool, Showmanship, Clipping & Grooming
3:45PM Wrap-up & Dismissal
4:00PM YQCA Certification & State Livestock Nominations (optional)

Questions
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Barber County 4-H Foundation
Annual Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 pm by President, Mike Marshall. Roll call was answered by Pam Cox, Shirley Christensen, Corona Hock and Robin Eubank-Callis was present. Minutes of the meeting from 2-723 were read along with the minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting. Shirley moved and Pam seconded to approve both sets of minutes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer Report was given by Pam Cox. A bill for postage was presented for the Annual Meeting mailings. Corona moved and Shirley seconded to accept the Treasurer Report. Motion carried.

Old Business- none

New Business:

A. Budget - Shirley moved and Pam seconded to keep the budget the same as the 2022 budget. Motion carried.

B. Election -
Shirley Christensen - 2 year term - 17 votes
Mike Marshall - 2 year term - 19 votes
Erica Hutson - 1 vote
Pam Cox - 1 year term - 17 votes
Fred Gillig - 1 vote
Amanda Corr - 1 vote

Corona moved and Robin seconded to reelect Shirley and Mike for a two year term and Pam for a one year term. Motion carried.

Elect Officers:
President - Mike Marshall
Vice President - Jeff Baier
Secretary - Corona Hoch
Treasurer - Pam Cox

Corona moved and Shirley seconded to elect the above officers. Motion carried.

D. Postage Bill - $111.54
Shirley moved and Pam seconded to pay the postage bill to Corona for the Annual Meeting Mailing. Motion carried.

Other New Business:
Showed the bill for ATC Accounting for taxes they did. Thank you from Rhyan Marshall. Robin said they were looking to hire an office professional. They are hoping to hire an Ag Agent around March

The next meeting will be February 6th, 2024 at 1 pm. Corona moved and Shirley Seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

The 4-H Foundation Meeting moved to February 22nd, 2024 at 1:00 pm at the Sideline.