



Dawson County 4-H Newsletter

Dear 4-H Families,

This letter will be full of information regarding the fair. Make sure you read everything so you know what is going on, including the schedule for judging and the food stand. If you are not on these lists you need to contact me ASAP and get scheduled. If you don't do your interview judging you are not eligible for premiums!

I am looking forward to seeing all of the projects the kids have been working so hard on all year.

Don't forget, you can always check the County web page to find the calendar of events, forms, etc. at <http://msuextension.org/dawson/>

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Monday, AUG. 7 CLOTHING, ANIMAL OPTIONS, CLOVERBUDS

Clothing, judging will take place on Monday, August 7 at the 4-H building at the fairgrounds from 9:00 am to noon. Have you called in and scheduled a time to be judged? If you're not on the list you are not signed up for judging.

All animal series books or options are to be judged on Monday also from 9:00 - noon. Call for a time if you are not on the list.

THURSDAY, AUG 10 INDOOR CONFERENCE JUDGING

Enclosed is a schedule for the interview judging. Please find your name on the list and come at that time frame. If this is not convenient, please call us at the office & we will try to reschedule. This is how the procedure will go:

1. Check in at the entry table. Be sure your entry tags are on, and the entry blank is correct.
2. Go to the judge assigned to your projects.
3. After judging, take your exhibits and entry sheets to the table to be ribboned and displayed.
4. Parents are welcome to watch, but not allowed to answer any questions or participate.

POSTERS, DAY CAMP & CRAFT DAY ITEMS

Remember the Miscellaneous class in the fairbook is open to all 4-H'ers. Bring your posters, day camp & craft day items when your other projects are judged. Cloverbuds will be judged on Monday. Animal posters may be brought Monday with series books.

FAIR EXHIBITS

Remember you can only exhibit in the projects in which you are enrolled. You can only exhibit one item per class number. This applies to all projects. **All entries must be input in to the FairEntry program or Entry Sheets brought to Jackie by August 3.** Anything after that date will not be judged or eligible for premium money.

FOODSTAND Connie Udem is the manager

All 4-H members plus all parents are asked to work. Those who have won trips must work 2 or more shifts.(Congress, Jr Hi trip, etc) You need to wear a cap or hat or tie your hair back when working in the foodstand. We also need help for shifts on Thursday, Fri, Sat and Sunday so if someone from your club can work these shifts, please sign them up. If you can work two shifts we may need your help, please volunteer and adhere to this schedule. Thanks. Remember the foodstand is our only fund raiser other than 4-H fruit sale and if we do not get enough help to fill our shifts, your benefits will be greatly reduced. **We could also use more help in the evenings, can you help out? We take Dad's, Grandparents, etc. HELP!!!!**

SILENT AUCTION

We will be doing the silent auction again. So keep this in mind when working on projects. Each member can have 2 items in the silent auction as long as the items were judged as fair entries. If you do food items please take a picture to have present.

Example: We had one sell an angel food cake they had judged but made a poster that said they would make them a new one. We had another member take a picture but put their cupcakes in the freezer.

Clever Clovers are challenging each Dawson County 4-H club to enter a themed basket (or two) in the silent auction for indoor 4-H items during this year's Dawson County Fair. The proceeds of these baskets will be donated to those folks effected by the devastating fires in Garfield and Petroleum counties. Just so there aren't any duplicates, Clever Clovers will be putting together a "Made in MT" basket and a "Red Devil" basket and Muddy Boots will be putting together a "Picnic" basket and a "Sewing" basket. Baskets will need to be put together and brought to the 4-H building by Thursday of the fair.

Fairgrounds Clean-Up

Fairgrounds Clean-Up will be on **Tuesday, August 1 starting at 5:00**. The more people that show up, the faster we will be done. Pizza will be provided for workers, stall fees need to be paid, stall assignments will be done and council meeting.

Premium/Livestock Sale checks

We heard from several of our sponsors this year that they were reluctant to sponsor again because they never receive Thank You's from the kids. Therefore this year all premium and livestock sale checks will be handed out at the Extension Office after the fair. In order to receive their checks, the kids will need to hand me a stamped Thank you note to the sponsor before they can have their check. We need to show our sponsors how much we appreciate them so that they continue to give to our 4-H program.

ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP

The Round Robin will be on **Saturday, August 12 at 10:00**. We have also been invited to the Senior Division Round Robin Champion of Champions Contest in Circle on **August 18 at 5:00 P.M.** Our senior winner will be eligible to compete in this contest.

Livestock Sale

The 4-H livestock sale is scheduled for **Saturday, August 12 at 5:00**. Remember to inform your potential buyers. I have flyers at the office if you would like to personally take to your potential buyer. Also, remember to Thank your buyers at the sale. It is very important we let them know how much we appreciate their continued support of our 4-H program.

Fair Buttons

I have buttons available for purchase here at the office. It is \$5 per button and that gets you admission for all 4 days of the fair. If you prefer not to purchase a button you will be charged \$2 admission per day at the gate.

STALL DEPOSITS

Stall deposits are due by Clean-Up day, August 1. The fee is \$25 per stall used by each exhibitor. If your stall(s) are cleaned to the satisfaction of the Livestock Committee at the conclusion of the fair, this deposit will be returned. Please remember to clean your stall after the fair also so you get your deposit back. Once your fees are paid your name will go into the drawing for stall assignments.



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*****NEW 4-H POLICY/BULLYING POLICY*****

*****MANDATORY FOR ALL 4-HERS & LEADERS*****

The Council has adopted a new 4-H Policy, Livestock Policy and Bullying policy. Every 4-H member and leader must sign this policy before they are able to participate in any further 4-H activities. This includes all camps, congress and the Fair. You need to stop in the Extension Office ASAP and get these policies signed if you plan to participate in any of the upcoming activities.



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