



EXTENSION

# Clover Chatter

## Important Reminders

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**NO EARLY DELIVERIES**  
**WITHOUT PRIOR**  
**APPROVAL**

**Leader's Meeting**  
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## Please Read

The fair is fast approaching and we ask that you carefully read everything in this newsletter pertaining to schedules and deadlines. Some adjustments had to be made because of changes to different activities. Make sure to read about every activity you are involved in and if you have any questions please call the Extension Office.

## Dog Obedience Classes

We are continuing with the Dog Obedience classes taught by Nicole Gorham. The next two and final classes of this 4-H year will be July 10th and July 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Nicole will be presenting the classes at her house which is located at 412 2nd St. NE. These classes are open to any 4-H member and their dog who are interested in learning more about obedience and the project. Nicole asks that you and your dog bring, many small dog treats for training tools, a leash and a collar to the class. She also asks that you park in the street.

## Jr. Trip Sign Up

Jr. Members must have done a County Event (speech day, demonstration day, livestock judging, fashion revue, quilt revue or shooting sports) to be eligible for this trip, as well as attend 50% of their meetings throughout the 4-H year.

Further details will be sent out via email as plans are finalized.

## September Leaders Meeting

The next 4-H Leaders meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Extension Office meeting room. Election of new officers will be taking place. We hope you will attend and help us get the upcoming 4-H year off to a great start. The Nomination Committee will be asking for volunteers for positions on the council at this year's fair.

## Camping at the Fair Grounds

If you are planning on camping at the Fairgrounds during the Fair, the following contains some information you will need to know.

- **NO** alcohol will be permitted outside of your personal camper. The camper area is representative of 4-H and is not allowed.
- All camper units must be identified with the family name displayed in the front window of the camper (provided by fair office). ***If this is not visible, you will be asked to leave.***
- Keep your area clean.
- Only those with special admission tickets: Superintendents, Fair employees, 4-H livestock leaders and 4-H campers shall park in this area.



## Fair Grounds Work Day

Everyone in 4-H is asked and should help with the Fair cleanup day that is scheduled for July 23rd at the Richland County Fairgrounds starting at 5:30 p.m. We will be preparing the grounds and buildings for Fair and will conclude the evening with a potluck dinner.

There is a lot to accomplish in this evening and we will need all 4-H members and parents to assist. Some things to bring are: shovels, wheel barrows, brooms, cleaning supplies and rags, buckets, and tools.

Each club will be responsible for a certain area or building, find below a list of assigned areas:

<b>Exhibit Building</b>	<b>Richland Aces</b>
<b>Food Booth</b>	<b>Forever Buds</b>
<b>Bleachers</b>	<b>Richland Rockets</b> <b>Fair View</b>
<b>Horse Barn</b>	<b>Richland Rascals</b>
<b>Beef Barn 1</b>	<b>Brorson Farmhands</b> <b>Badlands</b>
<b>Beef Barn 2</b>	<b>Missouri River</b> <b>Lambert Hi-Liters</b>
<b>Hog &amp; Sheep Barn</b>	<b>Yellowstone Valley</b> <b>Three Buttes</b>
<b>Poultry/Rabbit Cages</b>	<b>Homesteaders</b>

For the potluck after the cleaning is accomplished families with the last name starting with A-L will bring a dessert and families with the last names M-Z will need to bring a salad or side dish. Everyone needs to bring their own drinks. 4-H will be providing hamburgers, buns and condiments



## Food Booth Orientation

If anyone would like to receive an orientation on the Food Booth or a refresher course, Lisa has offered to be available during Cleanup Day to answer any questions that anyone might have about the food booth. Please connect with Lisa Gorder to make these arrangements. You can call her at 488-9672.

## Indoor Judging Clerks

We will be asking for 3 people from each club to help the day of indoor judging. Each club needs to designate 2 people to help in the morning with judging and 1 person following judging to help with setting up the building. Please discuss this at your meetings and let the office know who is going to help with what judging and setting up. We need to know who the volunteers are from each club by July 21st. It is important that those who volunteer for judging be there at the time that judging starts and stay for the entire time.

## Interview Judging Tips

Interview judging is designed to assist the 4-H'er in evaluating their project work from the past 4-H year. It gives 4-H'ers a sense of personal involvement, satisfaction of completion and makes project work more educational. Evaluators are understanding, empathetic, supportive and willing to listen as they involve themselves in dialogues with young people. Here are some sample questions members may be able to expect.

- 1) Have you taken this project before? If so, how many years?
- 2) What other things did you make in this project during the year?
- 3) How will you use this project item?
- 4) What was the most difficult part of your exhibit?
- 5) What would you do differently if you made it again?
- 6) Approximately how much did it cost you to make?
- 7) What are some characteristics that make a good (project) exhibit?
- 8) Do you plan to take this project again?
- 9) What did you learn from completing this project/exhibit?
- 10) What did you like best about the project?



# Horse Talk

## 2015 Richland County Fair 4-H Horse Schedule

**Tuesday August 4 \* Sidney Saddle Club \* 11:30 a.m.**

Showmanship  
Western Horsemanship  
Western Pleasure  
Ranch  
Mini  
Driving

**Wednesday August 5 \* Fair Grandstands \* 8:30 a.m.**

Bareback  
All English Classes  
Jr. Horse – English  
Reining  
Jr. Horse- Western  
Colt to Maturity- Western  
Greenbroke- Western

Trail in half of the arena throughout the day

## Monday Night Rides

Monday night rides are going, weather permitting. You must be compliant with the helmet policy to participate with the Monday night sessions. If you have any questions please contact the office or Jessica Burns at 489-1152.

## Big Sky State Games

The Committee of the Big Sky State Games would like to invite all horse exhibitors, 4-H members and their families to the 2015 Big Sky State Games Equestrian Horse and Pony Show in Billings on July 18 & 19. There is an open pony show and a 4-H and Open Horse Show. To register go online to [bigskygames.org](http://bigskygames.org). If you have any questions call 406-254-7426 or email [info@bigskygames.org](mailto:info@bigskygames.org)



## State 4-H Horse Show Great Falls, September 12-14

The Montana 4-H State Horse Show will be held in Great Falls, MT September 25-27, 2015 at the King's Arena. The State Horse Show is open to all 4-H members working on the horse project. Save these dates for your calendar.

GOOD LUCK and



ENJOY THE FAIR!

## Livestock Exhibitor's Handbook

Members showing livestock should've received this booklet. It will help new and returning exhibitors with their schedules and preparations for the fair. It also gives information on the events we hold such as the Carcass show and explain the new Buyers voucher. This will help with the questions and uncertainties that come with bringing livestock to the fair. Make sure to utilize the check lists when packing your trailer!

### Dress Code

There is a dress code for all livestock exhibitors printed on page 5 of the 4-H Livestock Handbook. All members will be required to adhere to this code during showing of animals, showmanship and during the sale. Members will be asked to leave the ring if they do not follow the requirements.

### Exhibit Numbers

All livestock members are required to wear numbers on their back in order to exhibit. These numbers will be provided at check in on Wednesday, July 30th, so make sure you get your number. All placing are based on back numbers.

### 2% Commission

Members selling livestock will be assessed a 2 % commission, replacing; photo mat fee, check off fees, brand inspection, Buyer's Appreciation Meal and Thank You plaque.

### Individual Pictures

In past years, the individual pictures have been very popular with many buyers. This year pictures will be taken after each show on Thursday during the Market Shows to insure that we have good quality pictures. Steer pictures will be taken between the two beef barns and sheep and hog will be taken on the south side of the sheep and hog barn. It is the member's responsibility to get your picture done. Make sure you get your picture taken during this time.

### Group Picture

We will have a group picture taken for a Thank You to buyers during the Fair rather than placing an expensive individual Thank You adds. The picture will be taken around 10:00 a.m. on Friday at the south side bleachers. Please dress in your show attire.

**Pen Bedding:** Members will again be responsible to provide their own bedding for all animals.

## Showmanship Clinic and Jackpot

There will be a beef showmanship clinic in the morning of July 11, 2015. The clinic will begin at 8:00 a.m., however, youth and animals need to be at the Richland County Fairgrounds by 7:45. The clinic will be presented by the Vanek family who show and fit cattle for a living. There may be a charge for the clinic, but more information will come out closer to the event.

Following the clinic there will be a jackpot show. The jackpot will be open to steers, heifers, and lambs. The entry fee will be \$20 per entry. Ty Jones will be the judge for the jackpot. Once again there will be more information on this event as the dates gets closer.

For more information or questions, contact Kelly Deming at 480-5139 or Kristin Larson at 480-5139.

## Poultry Awards

As a reminder, poultry members must attend at least one county wide poultry meeting to be eligible for any non-fair awards, including the end of the year awards. The poultry leader, Linda Simonsen plans on having at least one or two more meetings before fair. Please contact her at pullet27@midrivers.com, or the office if you have any more questions.

## Are you ready?



## Fair Schedule

### Tuesday, August 4, 2015

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Indoor Interview Exhibit Judging  
 10:00 a.m. – Deadline for all 4-H Horse Entries  
 11:30 a.m. – Horse Show -- *Sidney Saddle Club Arena*  
 1:00 Entry of Small Animals

### Wednesday, August 5, 2015

8:30 a.m. – Horse Show -- *Grandstand Arena*  
 11:30 a.m. – 4-H Food Booth Opens  
 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Entry of Hogs, Sheep, Goats, Beef & Dairy  
 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. –Weighing of Market Beef  
 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Weighing of Market Goat, Hog, & Sheep  
 4:00 p.m. – Judging of Poultry  
 6:00 p.m. – Judging of Dogs, Cats, & Rabbits  
 7:00 p.m. Small Animal Round Robin

### Thursday, August 6, 2015

8:30 a.m. – 4-H Livestock Judging of Swine, Sheep, Dairy, & Goat  
 5:00 p.m. – 4-H Market Beef Judging

### Friday, August 7, 2015

8:00 a.m. – 4-H Showmanship (Sr. & Jr.)  
 11:00 a.m. – Large Animal Round Robin (Sr. & Jr.)  
 4:00 p.m. – Trophy & Awards presentation  
 5:00 p.m. – 4-H Livestock Sale

### Saturday, August 8, 2015

10:00 a.m. – Member & Alumni Obstacle Course  
 6:00 p.m. – Check out of 4-H Horse Exhibits

### Sunday, August 9, 2015

7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Check out of all 4-H Exhibits, including Livestock

## Interview Judging

Below is the interview judging schedule for this years fair. Members need to be present with their projects entering through the East End (back of building) of the 4-H Exhibit Building. **Vehicles need to be parked near the canal during judging to free up the midway for vendors.**

### Tuesday, August 4th

8:00 – 9:00 All Horse Members  
 9:00 – 10:15 Richland Rockets, Forever Buds, Richland Aces  
 10:15 – 11:15 Brorson Farmhands, Richland Rascals, Homesteaders  
 11:15 – 12:15 Badlands Brushpoppers, Missouri River Ranchers, Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers  
 12:15 – 1:15 Lambert Hi-Liters, Fair View, Three Buttes

\*\* If your scheduled time does not work for you, you **MUST** notify the office by July 27th so we can adjust for differing numbers. Also, if something happens on the day of judging, please call in and notify us so that we can also accommodate. Call Josie @ 489-1913 or Patti @ 701-260-0546.

# 2015 FAIR WORK SCHEDULE



## 4-H FOOD BOOTH

Wednesday, August 5th	
11:30 am-4:30 pm	<i>Richland Rascals</i>
4:30pm - 10:00pm	<i>Missouri River Ranchers</i>
Thursday, August 6th	
6:30am - 11:30am	<i>Brorson Farmhands</i>
11:30am - 4:30pm	<i>Lambert Hi-Liters</i>
4:30pm - 11:00pm	<i>Fair View</i>
Friday, August 7th	
6:30am - 11:30am	<i>Richland Rockets</i>
11:30am - 4:30pm	<i>Forever Buds</i>
4:30pm - 11:00pm	<i>Homesteaders</i>
Saturday, August 8th	
6:30am - 11:30am	<i>Yellowstone Valley</i>
11:30am - 4:30pm	<i>Richland Aces</i>
4:30pm - 11:00pm	<i>Three Buttes</i>
Sunday, August 9th	
7:00 am - 11:00 am	<i>Badlands Brushpoppers</i>



## FOOD BOOTH DETAILS

There are a few guidelines for each shift:

- Each family needs to bring two 9-inch fruit pies unless they are the 6:00 a.m. shift. This means no pumpkin or pecan and no cream pies of any kind!
- If you do not bake pies, contact someone who does and buy them.
- NO PREMADE STORE BOUGHT PIES!
- The 6:00 a.m. shift (all families of each shift combine) need to bring 5 dozen sweet rolls, you may purchase these at Reynolds for consistency or purchase frozen rolls and bake.
- Workers need to show up 15 minutes before their shift starts.
- Each Shift will need to designate one person as the shift leader. This is the person that will call and ask questions, place orders etc.
- Keep long hair tied up, avoid shorts, no halter tops, and absolutely no bare feet.

## 4-H BUILDING SITTING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 5th	
12:00 pm-4:00 pm	<i>Richland Rascals</i>
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<i>Missouri River Ranchers</i>
Thursday, August 6th	
12:00pm - 4:00pm	<i>Lambert Hi-Liters</i>
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<i>Fair View</i>
8:00pm-10:00pm	<i>Brorson</i>
Friday, August 7th	
12:00pm - 4:00pm	<i>Forever Buds</i>
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<i>Homesteaders</i>
8:00pm - 10:00pm	<i>Richland Rockets</i>
Saturday, August 8th	
9:00am - 12:00pm	<i>Yellowstone Valley</i>
12:00pm - 4:00pm	<i>Richland Aces</i>
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<i>Three Buttes</i>
8:00pm - 10:00pm	<i>Badlands Brushpoppers</i>

**Exhibit Check Out:** Brorson Farmhands

*ALL* clubs are expected to help with cleanup prior to the fair and after the fair on Sunday morning starting at 7 a.m.

## Animal Parade Guidelines

Once again, Cloverbuds have the opportunity to bring an "orphan animal" to the fair for a presale parade. The lot was under the Cloverbud Section Lot 46 – Animal Parade. There is a limit of one animal per Cloverbud which may include a sheep, pig, goat, calf or horse. Animals must wear a halter or be able to be controlled by the Cloverbud. Animals are to be brought only for the parade which will follow the trophy and award presentation at 4:00 p.m. on Friday.



# Fair Barn Talk

## Attention Livestock Members!!!

There have been a few changes this year to the livestock portion of fair. Members need to read the following and understand the changes so that there is no confusion at fair.

### Fair Changes

- Animal Check in will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday of Fair.
- This time will be divided into club times.
- Steers will be weighed at that time, right off the trailer.
- Hogs, Lambs and Goats weigh in time will be from 3:00 - 4:00.
- Steers will still be ultra-sounded, however the location of the ultra-sounding will be moving, to speed up the weigh in process.
- Hogs, Goats and Lambs will also be ultra-sounded this year.

### Processing

As it has been in the past processing of animals will be tricky again this year. We have 4 different processing plants that are willing to work with us. Craig's Meat Processing of Savage is willing to take as many animals as their schedule will allow for. He asks that any members with extra hogs bring them in before the fair if possible, there will be a load of hogs taken on Wednesday to Craig's. If you plan to be on this list, you will need to get with Larry Handy or Randy Searer to ensure a spot. Craig's asks that we give him this number in advance so you will need to make arrangements before fair. Craig's will also take hogs on Sunday after fair, but members will be responsible for transportation of these animals. Craig's did ask that we not make appointments in advance of the sale. M3 Meats of Sidney will be taking **only beef** this year and will start taking beef on the *11th of August*. M3 asks that you call and *make appointments*. Triple T Meats of Glendive will take as many animals that their schedule can handle. Powder River Meats of Terry, will take as many animals that fit in their schedule. They ask that members call and make appointments.

Phone numbers of each of the processors are printed on the back of the Livestock Brochure.

### Livestock Delivery

As discussed and decided upon, Livestock Delivery has been changed this year from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday of Fair. It will also be done by club to avoid congestion at the scale. All animals must be unloaded by 2:00 p.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** As animals are unloaded, please move trailers ASAP, or they will be moved for you. Feed and bedding can be unloaded Tuesday, early Wednesday or after you move your trailer and animals are weighed, **NOT** while unloading your animal.

Below are the assigned time for clubs.

**10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** - Richland Rascals, Richland Rockets, Richland Aces

**11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** - Brorson Farmhands, Fair View, Homesteaders

**12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.** - Forever Buds, Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers, Three Buttes

**1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.** - Missouri River Ranchers, Badlands Brushpoppers, Lambert Hi-Liters

### Buyers Appreciation

Buyers Appreciation Week will be July 27-31, 2015. This year we will be conducting the way that we do Buyers Appreciation a little bit different. Each Club will be assigned a list of businesses and that club will be responsible for dividing up those businesses, among club members. Club members are to only go to the businesses on their list and no other businesses. Also, club members will only use the sale promotion fliers that are created by the office, and no personal fliers should be handed out. Lists and fliers will be available on Monday July 21st. These changes have been discussed in detail at both Leader Meetings and Livestock Meetings and have been handed down to counties from National 4-H. If you have any questions please contact the office.