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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.

Attention: This is your 4-H Newsletter.



Dog Obedience Classes

There will be a dog class on July 28th at 5:30 p.m.. This will be fair prep however, this class is 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. The location is still undecided. We will be sending out an e-mail with the location as soon as possible.

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.

The trip is planned for August 14th. We plan to go to Fort Peck. We ask that you bring a sack lunch for a picnic, then we will go swimming and attend the Fort Peck theatre. We will be returning late that night. Please call the office and sign up by August 8th.

September Leaders Meeting

The next 4-H Leaders meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 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 21st 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, gloves, paint brushes and tools.

All members will be assigned a task by Tim Larson, the Livestock Committee Chairman when they arrive at Clean Up day. Make sure you bring the above items.

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



Food Booth Orientation

During Clean up day at the fairgrounds, Stephanie Ler will be going over basic food safety in preparation of serving at the food booth. All adults who plan to work the food booth should take place in this training. Also, we will be offering basic orientation of the food booth.

XTO Energy Thank You

XTO Energy has once again made a generous donation to the Richland County 4-H Program. Their continued support will benefit many 4-H programs and events. Please send a thank you to the address below thanking them for their generosity.

XTO Energy
Attn: Emily Snooks
PO Box 6501
Englewood, CO 80155

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 25th.

It is important that those who volunteer for judging be there at the time that judging starts at 8:30 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

2016 Richland County Fair 4-H Horse Schedule

Monday August 1 * Fairgrounds Arena * 10:00 a.m.

Showmanship
Western Pleasure
Jr Horse Western Pleasure
Western Horsemanship
Reining
Bareback
Ranch
Mini
Driving

Trail under the "Big Tree" throughout the day

Tuesday August 2 * Sidney Saddle Club * 8:30 a.m.

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

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 Wendy Haugen at 489-2040.

Rabbit Clinic

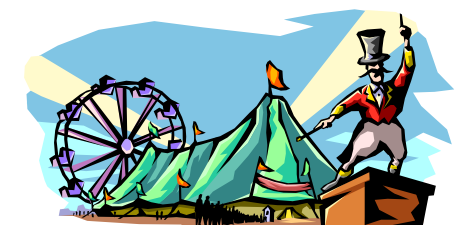
There will be a rabbit clinic on Monday July 18th at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. This class will be taught by our new rabbit leader Jamie Amunrud. She will be going over proper care and fitting of your rabbit, showmanship tips and tricks and other resources for you to ensure the health of your rabbit. She asks that you bring your rabbit, carpet square and water for your rabbit to drink if it hot.

If you are not in the rabbit project but are interested you are more than welcome to come join and learn more about rabbits and the project.

State 4-H Horse Show Great Falls, September 22-25

The Montana 4-H State Horse Show will be held in Great Falls, MT September 22-25, 2016 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 receive 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 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, Aug 3rd, 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 8, 2016. 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 Donnie Feiring from Beach. 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 \$15 per entry. Donnie Feiring will also 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 Project

The last poultry meeting before fair will be held July 19th, 6:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Members are to bring their showmanship bird to the meeting in a cage. She is also hoping to work on cleaning and painting the cages, so come dressed appropriately.

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.

Please contact Linda at pullet27@midrivers.com, or the office if you have any more questions.

Are you ready?



Fair Schedule

Monday, August 1, 2016

10:00 a.m. - Horse Show - *Grandstand Arena*

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Indoor Interview Exhibit Judging

8:30 a.m. –Horse Show -- *Sidney Saddle Club Arena*

1:00 Entry of Small Animals

Wednesday, August 3, 2016

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

11:30 a.m. – 4-H Food Booth Opens

2:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.- Meeting with all Livestock members and parents

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 4, 2016

8:30 a.m. – 4-H Livestock Judging of Swine, Sheep, Dairy, Breeding Beef, Goat & Alpaca

5:00 p.m. – 4-H Market Beef Judging

Friday, August 5, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 4-H Showmanship (Sr. & Jr.)

1:00 p.m. – Large Animal Round Robin (Sr. & Jr.)

4:00 p.m. – Trophy & Awards presentation

5:00 p.m. – 4-H Livestock Sale

Saturday, August 6, 2016

10:00 a.m. – Member & Alumni Obstacle Course

6:00 p.m. – Check out of 4-H Horse Exhibits

Sunday, August 7, 2016

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 2nd

8:30 – 10:00 Richland Rockets, Forever Buds, Richland Aces

10:00 – 11:00 Brorson Farmhands, Richland Rascals, Homesteaders

11:00 – 12:00 Badlands Brushpoppers, Missouri River Ranchers, Yellowstone Valley Trailblazers

12:00 – 1:00 Lambert Hi-Liters, Fair View, Three Buttes

1:00 - 2:00 Remaining Horse Members

** If your scheduled time does not work for you, you **MUST** notify the office by July 25th 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.

2016 FAIR WORK SCHEDULE



4-H FOOD BOOTH

Wednesday, August 3rd	
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Lambert Hi-Liters & Richland Rascals
5:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Yellowstone Valley
Thursday, August 4th	
6:00 am - 11:00 am	Three Buttes
11:00 am - 4:00 pm	Badlands Brushpoppers
4:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Forever Buds
Friday, August 5th	
6:00 am - 11:00 am	Homesteaders & Richland Rascals
11:00 am - 4:00 pm	Fair View
4:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Richland Aces
Saturday, August 6th	
6:00 am - 11:00 am	Richland Rockets
11:00 am - 4:00 pm	Brorson
4:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Missouri River Ranchers
Sunday, August 7th	
7:00 am - 11:00 am	Volunteers



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 3rd	
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Richland Rascals
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Yellowstone Valley
Thursday, August 4th	
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Badlands Brushpoppers
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Forever Buds
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Homesteaders
Friday, August 5th	
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Fair View
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Richland Rockets
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Missouri River Ranchers
Saturday, August 6th	
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Lambert Hi-Liters
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Brorson
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Richland Aces
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Three Buttes

Exhibit Check Out: Forever Buds

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 pre-sale parade. There wasn't a lot in the fairbook so if you have a Cloverbud who wants to participate, just call the office and let us know. 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

Fair Delivery Info

- 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. Craig's will also take hogs on Sunday after fair, but members will be responsible for transportation of these animals.

M3 Meats of Sidney will be taking **only beef** this year and will start taking beef on the *8th 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. If this is where your hog needs to go, check with the office for a cell number so it can be delivered on Sunday.

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 Times

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 25-29, 2016. 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 18th. 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.

Attention Livestock Members!!!

Seneca Valley Virus and changes at the Richland County Fair

Seneca Valley Virus (SVV) is a disease that affects hogs. This disease causes lesions around the snout and hooves of these animals. SVV lesions are so similar in appearance to lesions caused by foot and mouth disease. Foot and mouth disease is a serious disease that can spread through cattle, sheep, hogs, and goats while SVV only affects hogs. Because the lesions are so similar and because cases of SVV have been reported in some Midwestern states across the US, there will be a new process in bringing market hogs into the fairgrounds.

This process consists of:

- All hogs will be visually inspected by Tim Fine prior to unloading at the Richland County Fair.
- If any lesions are found, Tim will consult with a veterinarian.
- If the lesions are questionable, the hogs on the trailer (and any sheep, goats, or cattle) will be sent home.
- Because a visual inspection cannot determine whether lesions are the cause of SVV or Foot and Mouth, all lesions will be assumed to be Foot and Mouth until samples can be sent to the State Veterinarian for confirmation, and the case will be handled as such.
- If lesions are found during the fair, every cloven hooved (hogs, sheep, goats, cattle) animal will be quarantined on the fairgrounds until laboratory tests are taken and we are given the ok from regulatory professionals to lift the quarantine.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- Make sure that your animals that you are bringing to fair are healthy.
- If an animal is not healthy, leave it at home
- This is true not only in regards to this virus but for any ailments that may be afflicting your animals.
- Inspect your animals prior to loading them on the trailer.
- If you see lesions like are shown in the pictures below, leave your animals at home
- Wherever/whenever possible, haul your pigs separate from other species.
- We realize this is not the most convenient but if lesions are found on hogs, **all species in the trailer will be sent home**
- Follow the suggested biosecurity practices at home, in transport to the fair, and while at the fair.



Photos courtesy of: AJ Smit (#1 and #2) and Aubrey Cordray (#3)

Delivery Agreement Reminder!

Please remember that there were changes to our delivery agreement this year.

At the time of weigh ins this year, all market livestock members signed an updated delivery agreement. By signing this agreement, all market livestock members state they understand it is their responsibility to see that delivery is made to the location of the BUYER'S CHOICE of market animal(s) following the Richland County Fair. Failure to abide by this agreement, they understand proceeds of the sale of the market animal(s) will be forfeited.

Rule in Regards to the Food Booth

Just a reminder: This rule in regards to the food booth was made last year at a Leaders Meeting where all clubs were represented.

The rule reads: **All 4-H members (excluding cloverbuds) must work a shift at the food booth at the Richland County Fair. If a member does not work a shift, that member will be unable to exhibit at the fair the following year.**

Meaning, every 4-H member must work a shift this year at the fair. If they are unable to work the shift that was designated, they must contact the office and the manager of the food booth, Lisa Gorder, to find a shift that they can work. If a member does not work, they will not be allowed to exhibit livestock or indoor projects at the next year's fair. This does not effect their enrollment in the 4-H program; only participation at the fair. Attendance will be taken at each shift during the fair.

Reminder, for your food booth 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 or Super Pumper for consistency or purchase frozen rolls and bake.



Richland County Pie Day



The date of the pie baking day has been moved to July 18th. It will be held at Pella Church and begin at 9:00 a.m. All ingredients and pie plates will be provided. We do ask that you bring an apron, mixer, rolling pins, measuring equipment and a silicone mat if you have one. These pies will be served at the Food Booth during the fair. If you come to pie day and bake your pies, you will have your required number of pies out of the way.

We ask that you call the office and register by July 16th.

