

# RICHLAND COUNTY 4-H

## JULY/AUG 2023 NEWSLETTER

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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#### July

1 - Horse Workshop 1PM

4 - Office Closed

19 - Federation Meeting

20 - Fair Set-Up 6PM

21 - General Projects 8AM

23-29 - FAIR WEEK

25 - State Fair Intent forms due

#### August

12 - Richland County Day at State Fair

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### Poultry and Rabbit exhibitors:

It is recommended that you put a lock on your pen to keep your rabbit or bird safe.

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University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in program and employment.  
If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in a program, please contact your local Extension office.

College of Agricultural, Consumer & Environmental Sciences



# Fair Set up

**Thursday, July 20 at 6PM**

Lots of volunteers are needed to set up gates for livestock pens, set up cages, haul tables to the community building and arrange them. Pickups and trailers are always needed for this job. It may also help to bring some gloves, pliers and post drivers.

See you and all of your family on Thursday, July 20 to help get set up for the fair.



## Richland County Tractor Driving Contest

Richland County will have a county tractor driving contest on **Saturday, July 22 at 9AM** in the infield. Come participate, come observe - either way, see you there!

If you are having problems understanding the requirements in the show book, be sure to ask your leader or call the office. It is better to do things correctly ahead of time. We are here to help you.



**Auction order this year will be:**

Dairy, Goat, Swine,  
Sheep, Rabbit,  
Poultry, Beef

Richland County Day at the State Fair is on **Saturday, August 12**



# State Fair Selection:

During State Fair Selection, the 4-H project area is off limits to 4-Her's , parents, etc. The only people allowed in this area would be the judges, judges' assistants and Extension Staff.

Announcement of the State Fair Selected Projects and Alternates will be Friday, July 21, after the show.

***State Fair Intent forms MUST be returned to the Extension Office by Tuesday, July 25 at 4PM***

We need to know if you are going to State Fair and in what project so Alternates can be notified.

The Richland County Foundation will purchase a parking pass for each 4-H member who has an animal at the fair. We will have a list in the Fair Board office so each member can get their pass.



## **Cloverbud Exhibit Opportunity**

All 4-H Cloverbud members are eligible to exhibit a project at the 4-H Fair. This may be any project that pertains to the Cloverbud curriculum or anything that their club did throughout the year. This may be an individual or a group display.

Cloverbuds are eligible for a participation ribbon but **are not** eligible for premiums.

# Tractor Driving Contest

Saturday, July 22, 2023

9AM

Richland County Fairgrounds, Infield

Must be enrolled in the 4-H Tractor Project

## Classes:

### Senior - 14 and older as of September 1, 2022

Written Test

Parts Identification

Complete both 4-wheel and 2-wheel courses



### Junior - 13 and younger as of September 1, 2022

Written Test

Parts Identification

Complete both 4-wheel and 2-wheel courses

**Lawn Mower Class:** Those in Junior group who do not feel comfortable on a larger tractor may enter the lawn mower class.

Complete 2-wheel course

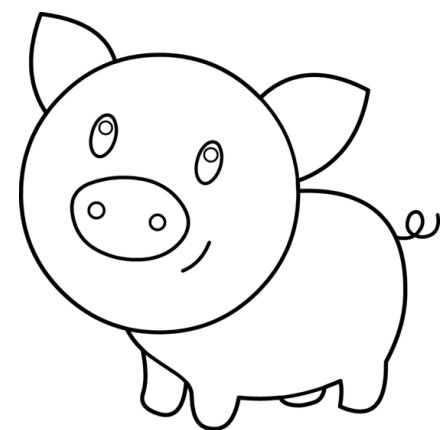
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## FREE PORK BURGER!

We have included tickets for every 4-H member from the Richland County Pork Producers.

Members can present their ticket at the Pork Producers stand any time during the week of Fair and receive 1 free pork burger.



Make sure you say "Thank You!"

# Be sure to check your fair book for changes. Some show times and some show days have changed.

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## ***Livestock Records***

(for all animals except Dog and Cat)

Livestock records should be completed through July 1, 2023.

Records will be due at time of check -in on Monday, July 24.

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## **General Projects Day**

- You should have all picked up your exhibit tags or have plans to get them before the week of Fair.
- Your judging time and judge number is on your tag.
- You will need to attach the tag to your project *BEFORE* you arrive at the General Projects show.
- Bring your project goal sheets, it could be there are more than one per goal sheet.
- Please show up 10 minutes before your assigned time for judging.

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If you are only showing livestock in the 4-H shows, you may leave after the auction on Thursday. However, if you are showing in the Richland County Jr. Fair shows, you must abide by their rules and stay until Friday afternoon release.

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## **REMEMBER TO SAY "THANK YOU"**

Remember to take time to say "Thank You" to the sponsors of the Banners and Gifts this year following the 4-H Shows. Saying the words are nice but taking the time to write a short note is the best way to show your appreciation. These notes help our sponsors realize that the award sponsorship really means something to you. Just a simple "THANK YOU for sponsoring the banner" is all it takes!

Richland County 2023 4-H Show Schedule  
 All shows will be held at the Richland County Fairgrounds unless otherwise noted

Monday, March 27, 2023

7:00 PM	Public Presentation Contest at the Extension Office
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Friday, June 30, 2023

9:00 AM 2:00 PM	Dog Show-Sheep and Goat Barn Cat Show at the Extension Office
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Thursday, July 20, 2023

6:00 PM	Barns and Community Building Set Up
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Friday, July 21, 2023

8:00 AM	General Projects Show
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Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:00 AM 5:00 PM	Horse Show Swine Weigh In
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Monday, July 24, 2023

10:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sheep and Goat Weigh In Beef Weigh In
12:00 PM 12:00-3:00 PM 3:00 PM	ALL ANIMALS ON GROUND 4-H Animal Check In-Beef Arena Barnyard Olympics-Beef Wash Rack

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

8:00 AM 12:00 PM 3:00 PM	Swine Show Dairy Show Poultry Show
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Wednesday, July 26, 2023

8:00 AM 12:00 PM 3:00 PM 5:00 PM	Beef Show Rabbit Show Sheep Show 4-H Auction Sign Up Deadline
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Thursday, July 27, 2023

8:00 AM 3:00 PM	Goat Show Auction NON-JUNIOR FAIR ANIMALS RELEASED 30 MINUTES AFTER AUCTION
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Friday, July 28, 2023

8:00 AM 3:00 PM	Master Showmanship ALL ANIMALS ARE RELEASED
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Saturday, July 29, 2023

8:00 AM	Fair Grounds Clean Up
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