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Calendar of events

Youth for the Quality Care of Animal February 15

certification

February 22, 23 Illinois 4-H Junior Leadership Conference

February 28 Farm Credit Community Improvement grant

deadline

March 6 Exploring a future in agriculture

June 13 Horse Show

June 27 4-H General Show LOCATION TBA

July 5 Barn Setup

July 6 Poultry, rabbit alpaca, small pets, dogs and cats

July 7 Swine, beef, sheep, goat/dairy, Jr & Sr Master

showman

July 5th

Barn set up will be at 6 p.m.

July 6th

8:30 a.m. Poultry Show

10:00 Rabbit Show

11:30 Alpaca Show

12:00 p.m. Small Pets, Dogs and Cats

Vet Check—Time to be announced

July 7th

8:00 a.m. Swine Show

9:30 a.m. Beef Show

11:00 a.m. Sheep Show

12:00 p.m. Goat and Dairy Show

The Jr. Master and Master Showmanship is 1 hour after the completion of

the goat/dairy show

July 8th Extension Foundation Auction—More information to come

YQCA Training

4-H members exhibiting in dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, and goats:

You <u>are required</u> to complete the **Youth for the Quality Care of Animal** certification (YQCA). It will replace former trainings: PQA and QAEC. This program is the industry-standard certification. The training must be completed each year.

Horses, dogs, and cats will still be required to take the **Quality Assurance and Ethics** (QAEC) training. This training is only required once in the member's career.

There are two options for this training face to face or online. The face to face training payment is \$3, if you wish to take the online training it is \$12. All registration and payments must be done online, no payment can be accepted at the Extension office.

To register go to https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login and sign in with your 4-H Online account information. We will be holding a training session **February 15, 2020 at 10 a.m.** at the Extension office. We are now located at 304 E Progress St., Arthur, IL.

2020 Steers, Market Heifers, Barrows, Wethers, & Meat Goats

Birth, Ownership and Tattoo Dates for Illinois State Fair Junior Show For complete Rules, Regulations, and nomination forms for Premiere Shows, please refer to the information from Dan Jennings.

STEERS:

- Calved on or after January 1, 2019
- Owned & personally cared for by exhibitor since February 1, 2020
- Weighed, Tattooed & Tagged On or between the last Saturday in January (January 25, 2020) and February 29, 2020.
 - o In addition to tattooing, steers that will be going to state fair are to be tagged with the electronic ID tags. Information forthcoming from Dan Jennings regarding obtaining the tags. Each tag should be recorded to the nomination sheet. All paperwork should be sent to Dan Jennings.

BARROWS: Regular Barrows

Farrowed on or after January 1, 2020 and must be the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2020. No weighing and tattooing required but must submit ear notches when making entry for

ISF



BARROWS: Premiere Barrows

Farrowed on or after February 10, 2020 and must have been the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2020

Weighed and Tattooed with Box A tattoo from February 10 to April 15, 2020

Tattooed within 35 days of birth and not weigh more than 1.0 lbs/day of age

Junior exhibitors can purchase pre-nominated barrows

<u>SHEEP Market Wethers & Market Ewe Lambs: Live Show Wethers – No more Regional check-in sites – New nomination format</u>

Lambed on or after January 1, 2020

Ownership Date – May 15, 2020

Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension Office.

Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of lamb's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2020. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E., Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville, IL 60563.

<u>Jr. and Open Premiere Wether & Ewe</u> lambs: - Weigh-in, tattoo, and nomination procedures:

Junior and open premiere lambs will be nominated, tattooed, and weighed at the county level.

Premiere lambs must be weighed and tattooed with the Box A tattoo followed by a number starting with 1 - This must be witnessed by a local Extension employee or a person they designate, such as a volunteer or local sheep superintendent.

Completed nomination forms must be signed by the local Extension office

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Send nomination forms to Dan Jennings (address above).

Ownership and nomination deadline is March 15 to May 15, 2019.

Lambed on or after January 1, 2020

Meat Goat Wethers: Live Show Wethers – **No more Regional** check-in sites – New nomination format

Wethers – Born on or after October 1, 2019

Ownership dates for Kids & Yearlings not in milk – May 15, 2020

Self-nomination as follows: Nominations must be signed by local Extension office.

Exhibitors fill out and send in nomination form with photo of goat's ear with scrapie tag installed in ear (close up photo of ear so scrapie tag can be read). This must be completed between March 15 and May 15, 2020. Send to Dan Jennings, Region 1 Office, 1100 E. Warrenville Rd., Suite 170, Naperville IL 60563

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BEEF – HEIFERS AND COWS:

Heifers

Age requirement is from September 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020 (w/ addition of Senior Yearling class) Owned and personally cared for by exhibitor since June 1, 2020

Performance Cows

Cows must be born before September 1, 2018 (Cow-Calf Class only)

Owned and personally cared by exhibitor since January 1, 2020

SWINE - GILTS:

Age requirement is farrowed on or after January 1, 2020

Owned by exhibitor since June 1, 2020

SHEEP – EWES & RAMS:

Age requirement for yearling ewes is from January 1, 2019 to August 31, 2019

Age requirement for ewe lambs is after September 1, 2019

Age requirement for ram lambs is after January 1, 2020

Owned and personally cared for by exhibitor since June 25, 2020

DAIRY - COWS AND HEIFERS:

No age requirements

Calves and Heifers – Owned since June 1, 2020

Cows – Owned since January 1, 2020

HORSE AND PONY:

On or before June 1 – Copies of the ownership and/or lease papers, State Fair Entries, and one set of photos sent to Donna Miller at: Illinois State Fair Entry Department, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield IL, 62794-9427.

DOGS:

Dogs must be owned or leased by June 1, 2020

At this time, no paperwork is required to be on file. Make entries via 4-H online.

DAIRY GOATS:

Kids and Yearlings not in milk must be owned by exhibitor only by June 1, 2020.

Milking Does must be owned by exhibitor only by January 1, 2020.

MEAT GOATS

All meat goats (wethers and all breeding animals) are to be owned by exhibitor only by May 15, 2020.

RABBITS, PYGMY GOATS & POULTRY:

☐ Animals in these species that are to be exhibited at the ISF Jr. Show must be owned by the exhibitor as indicated: Does -- By June 1 of the year exhibiting; All others -- Out of stock owned by the exhibitor prior to June 1.

Changes/Notices Regarding the 2020 Illinois State Fair Animal Exhibits

Note: This list is only a NOTICE of changes that have been made regarding various animal exhibits at the State Fair. Local Extension staff, Vocational Agriculture instructors, and exhibitors and their families should read *complete* rules and regulations included in the 2020 ISF Jr. Department Premium book once printed copies are received or the book is posted on the ISF website: http://www.illinoisstatefair.info/.

Quality Assurance & Ethics Certification is mandatory for all horse, rabbit, poultry, and companion animals. The website is now open. All county and state horse and dog exhibitors must complete QA&E Certification via this site one time during their showing career. Those that have completed it in the past do not have to complete it again.

The new YQCA program is mandatory for all dairy, beef, swine, sheep, and goat exhibitors in 4-H. Details on this program are available at your county Extension Office.

Horses – Ownership, Lease papers, photos, and Entries are to be sent in together directly to: **Donna Miller at** the Illinois State Fair by June 1 for verification of State Fair entries. If units wish to keep copies of this information for their own shows, they should make photocopies or require the exhibitors to submit two sets of forms.

All junior exhibitors will need to pay entry fees for any/all animals entered. Fees will be due with class entries – June 1 for Horses, July 1 for all other livestock. Fees will be updated in the State Fair Premium Book.

Explore a future in agriculture

March 6 | Decatur

Teens can learn about careers in agriculture at the Women Changing the Face of Agriculture Conference March 6 at Richland Community College in Decatur. Applying online @ https://womenchangingthefaceofagriculture.com/. Presenters include some of the most successful women in agriculture.

Nothing beats summer at 4-H Memorial Camp

5 weeks to choose: Learn more and register online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hcamp

Camping at 4-H Memorial Camp will open February 3. Spaces fill up immediately, so save the date on your calendar! There are 5 weeks of youth camp this year. Cost is \$250 for 4-H members or \$290 for youth not yet in 4-H. The fee includes a camp t-shirt and \$15 in credit at the Trading Post. No extra cash is needed for camp!

Week 1: June 2-6 Week 2: June 7-11 Week 3: June 14-18 Week 4: July 5-9 Week 5: July 26-30

Help sew new curtains for camp!

March 21 | 9 AM – 4 PM | 4-H Memorial Camp @ Monticello

Register online @ go.illinois.edu/4Hsewing

4-H Memorial Camp needs new cabin curtains ... LOTS OF THEM! If you know how to sew and have taken at least one year of 4-H sewing, we have a great community service project that is fun and will make a big difference! We need 50 youth volunteers to help cut, pin, sew, and hang 126 curtains in the log cabins used by 1,500 campers each summer. The camp will provide all the materials, patterns, and lunch! We have a few sewing machines available, but more are needed. Members may bring one parent or guardian to help. Come help and enjoy the perfect camp lunch of hot dogs, baked beans, veggies, chips, and cookies!

Let's go fishing

May 2 – 3 | 4-H Memorial Camp, Monticello

Learn more @ go.illinois.edu/4Hfishcamp

With the lake fully stocked, 4-H Fish Camp is back at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Fishing begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 2 and lasts until 2 p.m. Sunday, May 3. Learn how to catch largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, and channel catfish. Learn about fishing tips, lures, bait, equipment, knots, fish behavior, fish management, and fish cleaning. Each group registered will be assigned their own log cabin for lodging with single bunks. Participants must bring their own bedding and toiletries.

A fee of \$50 per person covers the complete program, lodging, boat, bait, and three buffet meals, including Saturday lunch and supper and a Sunday brunch. You'll also have fresh fish fillets to take home! Preregistration and payment is required. To register, contact 4-H Memorial Camp at (217) 762-2741 or send an email to Curt Sinclair at sinclair@illinois.edu.

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Save the date for 2020 Illini Summer Academies

The college exploration event of the year is set for 2020. Illinois 4-H Illini Summer Academies will be held June 21-27 on the University of Illinois campus. Registration opens March 16 and runs through April 17 for participants. Youth requesting financial assistance should apply January 31 thru March 1. Look for new information soon.

Change lives, be a 4-H camp counselor

It may be cooling off now, but summer will return, and we need you to help mentor the campers at 4-H Memorial Camp near Monticello. Applications will be available in January. We're looking for certified lifeguards and young adults interested in fishing, shelter building, tree and wildlife identification, and other outdoor adventures. We also need counselors interested in STEM programming. For information, contact Andy Davis @ ardavis1@illinois.edu or call 217-762-2741.

Get cash to help improve your community

Looking for funding support to conduct community service outreach in your community? Farm Credit Illinois is ready to help Illinois 4-H clubs and FFA chapters bring positive and visible change to Illinois communities! Fifty \$500 Community Improvement Grants are available. Clubs must be located in one of the 60 central and southern Illinois counties served by Farm Credit Illinois. Check if your club is eligible and apply after November 1 at farmcreditIL.com.

Find help for your projects

We have dozens of projects you can choose to take, and ways to help you learn! Check out the resources available @ https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/project-resources. Some are available from the county Extension office. Others you can order directly from Shop 4-H or other state Extension programs.

Give us a call if you have questions.

Be a true leader in service

April 25 | Nationwide

Join 4-H members and clubs across Illinois and the nation on **Saturday, April 25** as part of *True Leaders in Service*! 4-H clubs serve their communities all year long however the month of April has been selected as a time for ALL 4-H clubs to join together to roll up their sleeves in service to local communities. This could mean helping a person or family in need doing yard work or minor home repairs, cleaning up streets or parks, planting trees or gardens, supporting your local food pantry or any other project that supports a local need.

Make your plans now on how you'll help others. Find resources @ go.illinois.edu/4Hdayofservice. Later in 2020, you can register your projects there! The goal of the 4-H True Leaders in Service day is to encourage 4-H members in every county to make a positive difference. Service projects can be done by individuals, by 4-H clubs, or as a countywide service project. No matter what the project is, this will be a day to make a difference.

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Understanding copyright and trademark laws

When an author, musician, designer, or artist creates something, it is immediately protected by copyright or trademark laws and other people can't use it or create something similar. Original works such as stories, music, pictures, plays, dances, sculpture, movies, and architecture are protected. 4-H members should use caution when working on a speech, display, or exhibit so you don't use something that doesn't belong to you.

4-H members can't draw or copy someone else's design, logo, words, or music without the permission of the original owner. That means, you can't draw a logo (such as Ford or John Deere) and use it on your exhibit. You can't create Mickey Mouse ears on your cake. You can't draw a Disney princess. You can't put SpongeBob image on your natural resource project exhibit board.

Think of it like this. You wouldn't take your neighbor's bike and ride it around to make your life easier without getting permission first. That would be stealing. When you take words, art, graphics, or photographs that aren't yours but use them like they are, that's stealing, too. Copying them from the internet is the same as stealing them unless you are using a site specifically created for free use of images.

For more information on what's allowed, contact Judy at <u>illinois4H@illinois.edu</u> and ensure you're respecting the rights of others.

Host an international youth this summer

Host a Japanese or South Korean youth this summer through States' 4-H International! Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly learn a new language all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country, too! Families are needed for July 22 through August 17.

Be aware:

Families hosting a youth must have a child the same gender and approximate age (12-18) as the incoming youth.

Youth must have a separate bed; a separate room is not required.

Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process, as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

Applications are accepted until all placements are made

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