

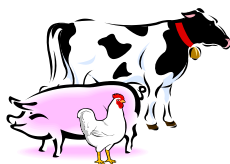


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Wayne County 4-H Newsletter

June/July 2019



Fair Edition



Upcoming Activities

June

- 10 Dog Obedience Class at the fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Enterprisers club meeting; 7 p.m.
- 12 Wayne City 4-H Club meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- 16 4-H Country Club meeting; 2 p.m.
- 17 Dog Obedience Class at the fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m.
- 20 Country Kids Cloverbuds meeting; 5:30 p.m.
- 24 Dog Obedience Class at the fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Country Kids club meeting; 7 p.m.
- 30 Fairground cleanup; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the fairgrounds
 - Foundation will provide pizza and water for lunch after fair-ground cleanup.

July

- 1 Dog Obedience Class at the fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m.
- 2 Food and Clothing Show and Food Decorating Show at the Methodist Church; registration @ 12:30
- 2 Dog and Cat Show at the fairgrounds; 6:30 p.m.
- 4 Extension Office - CLOSED
- 5 The fair schedule starts today; for more info, look at the back of your showbook or page 2 of this newsletter
- 22 Foundation Meeting 6 p.m.
- 26 4-H Foundation Pork Chop Dinner @ Methodist Church in Fairfield

August

- 10 Wayne County Day at State Fair
- 16 End of Year Records due to the Extension Office.

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July 2- Clothing & Food Shows and Visual Arts Food Decorating at 1st United Methodist Church in Fairfield-Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. ; show begins at 1:00 p.m.

July 2- Dog Obedience, Dog/Cat Show- 6:30 p.m.

July 5- Horse show at the fairgrounds beginning at 6 p.m.

July 7 - All animals in place by 3 p.m.
Rabbit and Chicken check-in, 3 p.m.
Goat and sheep weigh-in, 4 p.m.
Swine weigh-in, 5 p.m.
Beef weigh-in, 7 p.m.

July 8- Registration for General Projects and Tractor Driving, 8:30 am-9:00 am
Big Talk with Bruce Dickey and WFIW Radio Interviews, 9 a.m.
General Projects Show, 9:30 a.m.
Tractor Driving Contest, 12 p.m.
Poultry Show, 2 p.m.
Battle of the Barns - Part 1, 5 p.m.

July 9- Bucket Calf/Beef Show, 8 a.m.
BBQ Chicken Contest- 2 pm
Sheep Show, 4 p.m.
Goat Show, 5 p.m.

July 10- Swine Show, 9 a.m.
Cloverbud Activity, 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Rabbit Show, 2 pm
Battle of the Barns - Part 2, 5 p.m.

July 11- Pictures for Wayne County Press of Trophy and Rosette Winners, 8 am
Wayne County Fair Board open rides for all 4-H members, 10 a.m.
Wayne County Fair Board provides lunch for all 4-H members, 12 p.m.
Round Robin Contest, 1 p.m.
4-H Awards, 5 p.m.; 4-H Foundation Livestock Auction, 5:30 p.m.

July 12- Fairgrounds Clean-up, 8 a.m.
4-H Dance; 8 year old to 13 year old - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
4-H Dance; 14 year old to 18 year old - 9:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

July 26- Wayne County 4-H Foundation Pork Chop Dinner, First Christian Church, Fairfield, 5 p.m. -7 p.m.

August 10- Wayne County Day at the Illinois State Fair





4-H ANIMAL WELFARE

During fair season, 4-H members have an opportunity to showcase our practice of ethical and humane treatment of animals and demonstrate our commitment to safe food production practices. While showing livestock, we are under the watchful eye of the public. Many people attending a local fair may have no idea how livestock is raised. Practicing these guidelines may prevent public misconceptions about livestock production.

1. Provide fresh, clean water to animals at all times. Feed animals on schedule.
2. Keep your pens clean and dry with good bedding at all times.
3. Take extra care on days of extreme weather or activity.
4. Sort and load animals safely and with concern for them.
5. Train animals to lead or be handled at a young age long before the fair.
6. Arrange for veterinary care in case of an animal emergency.
7. Handle animals in a very humane way.
8. Adhere to all antibiotic, drug, and feed additive withdrawal times.
9. Avoid stressing the animal.
10. Keep animals clean; a clean animal is viewed as a healthy animal.
11. Use show sticks, whips, and canes for showing only and never forcefully hit an animal.
12. Review your 4-H project manual and follow the care recommendations.
13. Have a plan of action should a problem arise, and know which fair official or 4-H leader to contact to help solve it or answer questions.
14. Some words, such as “slaughter” or “killed,” may cause a negative reaction from people unfamiliar with food production. IF ASKED what happens to your market animal after the fair, consider using words such as “harvested” or “sold to packing company.”
15. If questioned or challenged by a stranger or group:
 - a. Remain calm, be polite, and answer any question the best you can. If you do not know an answer, tell them you will find an adult to explain more.
 - b. Do not argue or confront an individual or group who may have a different view about livestock production. Individuals may try to initiate a confrontation and use video of the incident on social media. If confronted, walk away, find an adult in authority, or call 911 if you feel threatened.
 - c. It is natural to think that giving people information will change their minds, but in some extreme cases, people may not want to learn; they want to confront to gain media attention. It is best to walk away without engaging in these situations.

Following these recommendations will reflect a positive image of our livestock industry and the 4-H program, as well as demonstrate the solid animal stewardship practices that are our 4-H tradition.

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4-H Foundation Livestock Auction

Many of the livestock exhibitors look forward to the livestock auction every year. As in years past, no ceiling limits have been placed on the animals sold at the auction, but 20 percent of the total sale will go to the 4-H Foundation for auction expenses, fairground improvements, and other activities the Foundation sponsors.

Also, the Foundation will send out letters and flyers to potential buyers. The best way to have buyers come to the auction and bid on your animal is a personal visit from you. If you stop by the extension office, we will be glad to provide you with auction flyers.

Auction Participants

****If you are selling in the Foundation Livestock Auction,
you must have your animal signed up by
Wednesday, July 10 at 4 p.m.**



**The sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board
between the bathroom doors in the 4-H Building!**

NO EXCEPTION TO THE RULE

**All 4-H members must wait 30 minutes after the
auction to clean out pens and load animals.**

This rule is not intended to keep you at the fairgrounds longer than you want to be. This is to allow the sellers time to visit with and tell their buyers thank you and it also allows time for the buyers to leave the fairgrounds before trucks and trailers start moving.

This is intended for common courtesy.



SIGN UP

*Sign up for the Dance and Battle of the Barns to
have more fun at fair.*

**4-H Dance
Friday, July 12, 2019**

Federation is planning a dance for
all 4-H members on
Friday, July 12, 2019
at the 4-H fairgrounds.

8 to 13 year olds will dance from 7 p.m. to
9 p.m. and 14 to 18 year olds will dance
from 9:30 p.m. to midnight.

*If you plan to attend, please sign up on
the bulletin board in the 4-H building.*

**Battle of the Barns
must be 8 to 18 year olds**

Monday, July 8; 5 p.m.
Dodgeball Tournament and
Cornhole Tournament

Wednesday, July 10; 5 p.m.
Water games!
Bring dry clothes.

*Sign up on a team on the bulletin board in
the 4-H building.*

First-Time 4-H Member

Are you new to 4-H?

**If you are a first time member and have
questions or problems, be sure to ask
your leader or call the extension office.
It is better to do things correctly, ahead
of time, and show up prepared, than try
to do paperwork on show day.**

We are here to help you!!

**Also, be sure to bring your goal sheets
to the food, clothing, and general shows
and your livestock records to check-in.**

**BE SURE TO INVITE
FAMILY AND FRIENDS
TO THE 2019 FAIR!**

**All county 4-H shows are open
to the public.**

**We want you to
show off what
you have
worked for all
year.**





State Fair Selection:

During State Fair selection, the 4-H project area is off limits to 4-Hers, parent, etc. The only people allowed in the 4-H building during state fair selection will be the judges and the assistants. Announcement of the State Fair selected projects, and State Fair Alternates will be immediately after judging is completed.

State Fair Entry Forms (bright paper attached to project) MUST be returned by Friday, July 12 to the Extension Office. We need to know if you are going to State Fair and in what project area. All exhibitors who have projects selected for State Fair must return this form. Alternates will then need to be notified.

If you are wanting to purchase admission tickets from the extension office, at a discounted rate, those are sold on a first come, first serve basis, so you may want to make that purchase by Monday. They go fast!

4-H Foundation Pork Chop Dinner

Before you know it, Fair will be over and it'll be time for the Annual 4-H Foundation Pork Chop Dinner! The event will be held on **Friday**, July 26 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Fairfield. We ask that each 4-H family sell at least one pack of five tickets. The Wayne County 4-H Foundation will be awarding prizes to the top three ticket sellers. Each club is also asked to supply workers. Be sure to check with your leader to see when your club is scheduled to work. Please help promote and support the 4-H Foundation Pork Chop Dinner. The Wayne County 4-H Foundation supports numerous 4-H events through the funding of scholarships, camp fees, and Fair-ground improvements, to name a few.

What is Conference Judging?

The 4-H program uses conference judging for all non-livestock exhibits to evaluate 4-H members' projects. Conference judging is a one-on-one discussion between the 4-H member and the judge of that project area. The judge will ask the member questions about their project. For example, the judge may ask: Why did you do it this way? What did you like about what you made? What would you change next time?

A member learns from the conference with the judge, as well as improves his/her communication skills every time they exhibit.

The process of conference judging is also used at State Fair.



Horse practices at the Fairgrounds



The Horse show will be at the fairgrounds again this year on Friday, July 5 at 6 p.m. If you want to get some practice time in before fair, the courses will be set up, at the fairgrounds, during the following dates and times.

Halter and Pleasure—can be practiced at anytime at the fairgrounds.

Poles, Barrels, and Flags— will be open for practice on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, **June 22, June 23 and 24**, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Trail class— will be open on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, **June 29 and 30 and July 1** from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

RULE FOR HORSE EXHIBITORS

NEW in 2016: All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 certified equestrian helmet whenever mounted or driving at all 4-H horse and pony events, shows, activities, or practices. Original tags must be present in all approved helmets. The 4-H member is responsible to see that this specified head-gear is properly fitted with the approved harness fastened in place whenever mounted. Helmet policies apply to all county, area, and state 4-H horse and pony events, shows, and activities. *The Wayne County Fair Board does have a limited amount of helmets to be borrowed throughout the show if your child would like to borrow/share one.*



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Remember—the health records must accompany your livestock records at check in. This also includes dog and cat records. Horse exhibitors must have current Coggins records.



4-H Show Attire

The 4-H Show can be so much fun that sometimes we forget how important it is to look our best when exhibiting our project(s). This does not mean that you need to be in new or dressy clothing. This means:

- Be neat and clean
- Take hats off while showing projects (Judges like to see faces when they are speaking to you)
- Have your hair combed
- Have your shirts tucked in and shoestrings tied
- Have hands washed
- Livestock exhibitors, wear jeans or khakis (no shorts)
- Wear shirts with sleeves (no tank or spaghetti tops)

Neat appearance will not only make you feel better, it will impress the judges too. Let's try to look our best, learn all you can and have fun when showing your projects.

Remember to say - THANK YOU

Fair notes:

- General Project Registration—Monday, July 8, 8:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m. in the 4-H building.
- Don't forget your project goal sheets/records for the general show.
- **Cake decorating is a visual arts project, but will be judged during the Food & Clothing Show at the First United Methodist Church on Tuesday, July 2.**
- Anyone who wins an award during a livestock show, please be at the fairgrounds Thursday, July 11 at 8 a.m. for pictures for Wayne County Press.
- Remember, all animals must stay on the fairgrounds all week until 30 minutes after the 4-H Foundation Auction is complete.
- General projects will remain on display until 30 minutes after the 4-H Foundation Auction is complete, approximately 8 p.m. (rule #5 on page 19 of showbook). If you cannot be there, you may pick up your project Friday morning or make arrangements for someone to pick up your project for you!