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May 2017

Kittitas County 4-H FOCUS

Calendar

May 6	Poultry Pre-Show & Training Day, 9:00 a.m., Western Village at the Fairgrounds
May 16	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory
May 29	Memorial Day-Extension Office Closed
May 30	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Naneum Room at the Fairgrounds
June 1	Deadline to express interest in the National Equine Presentation Contest
June 7	County Demonstrations-3:00-5:00 p.m., Armory Room C
June 10	Sheep & Goat Pre-Show, Weigh-In, and Judging Contest, Bloom Pavilion
June 10	Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show, 1:00 p.m., Bloom Pavilion
June 11	Swine Weigh-In, **8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.,** Bloom Pavilion
June 13	Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory
June 15	County Demonstrations-3:00-5:00 p.m., Armory Room C
June 17	Rabbit and Cavy Pre-Show, Fairgrounds
June 21	County Demonstrations-10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Armory Room C
June 27	4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Naneum Room at the Fairgrounds
June 29	County Demonstrations-10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Armory Room C

WSU Kittitas County 4-H Youth Development Vision Statement:

The WSU Kittitas County 4-H program is a community recognized and supported quality youth development program that helps youth of the county acquire practical hands-on experiences and life skills enabling them to become self-directing, productive, and contributing members of a diverse and changing society.

Host Families Needed for 4-H International Exchange Program

Looking for some excitement and fun this summer? Host a youth delegate from Japan or Korea in your home for 3 ½ weeks (July 23 – August 17). Washington 4-H International Exchange Program is offering volunteer hosting opportunities for families. A host sibling should be the same gender and within 3-4 years of the delegate's age. Adult chaperones from Japan and Korea will also stay with host families.

Applications to host will be accepted until all of our youth delegates and chaperones are placed. This program is open to all families in all communities in Washington.

Click here to apply online. If you haven't hosted before you'll be contacted for an in-home interview. If you have questions email Dianna.ullery@wsu.edu or call (360) 867-2153.

Employment Opportunity-Litter Crew

The Kittitas County Solid Waste Department is seeking a Litter Crew Member. The position is part-time (32 hours per week), seasonal, and expected to be available June-August. Must be 15-19 years old on the first day of employment and currently enrolled in school. To apply, visit http://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/hr/jobs/.

Club Business

Record Book Tips – May

- Update Calendar and Project Diary (Level 1) or Project Journal (Level 2) with May dates.
- Bread Baking Workshop and Contest Participants should include the Bread Baking Record (C0889E- available at the Extension Office or online at:
- http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/c0889e/c0889e.pdf)
- Permanent Record – list activities you did in school, church, sports or community events other than 4-H in School and Community Responsibilities page 14.
- 4-H Story may be started by introducing yourself and writing about your project, 4-H club experiences or involvement in your community and school.
- List any project/training meetings as well as club meetings in the project journal section of your record book.

2017 Fair Theme
"Country Nights & Carnival Lights"

County Demonstrations

The following dates have been scheduled for county demonstrations:

June 7	3 p.m.-5 p.m.
June 15	3 p.m.-5 p.m.
June 21	10 a.m.-3 p.m.
June 29	10 a.m.-3 p.m.

4-Hers who would like to do their demonstration during the county event need to call Mary Matthews to schedule a time during one of these days. If you are in need of another day, you will need to contact Mary and make arrangements. **Clubs can make an appointment to have Mary come to their club meeting for their members to complete their demonstrations.**

All county level demonstrations must be complete by June 29, 2017.

For help on making your presentation, you can get a copy of "Getting to the Point: How to do a 4-H Public Presentation" (EM4787E) at the Extension Office or online at http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/em4787e/em4787e.pdf

To sign up: Call Mary Matthews at 962-9798 and give the following information:

Name, phone number, age group, project, and demonstration title.

Opportunities

Friend of 4-H Nominations

One person and one business will be honored each year with the "Friend of 4-H Award". Nominations are due July 1. Pick up a fact sheet and nomination form at the Extension Office.

Outstanding Leader Nominations

4-H Council sponsors an Outstanding Leader Award for currently enrolled 4-H leaders demonstrating meritorious service and exemplary leadership, who have been involved in Leader's Council. Nominations are due by July 1. A plaque will be awarded during National 4-H Week. The Extension Office has a fact sheet and nomination forms.

Volunteer Opportunities

2017 Washington State 4-H Forum

Thurston County invites you to "Make a Splash" at the 2017 Forum at the Great Wolf Lodge October 20-22.

Forum is a great opportunity for Teen and Adult leaders to build friendships, skills, and knowledge across the state: two days of workshops, awards, speakers, and the Washington State 4-H Council.

This year the event is hosted at the Great Wolf Lodge, and rooms will include passes for your families and club members at the event!

All counties in Washington may submit nominations for several State Awards to be presented at the Washington State Forum.

Award Nominations

Would you like to nominate an excellent leader in your county? See the award descriptions below and nominate someone!

Washington State 4-H Hall of Fame

The Washington State 4-H Hall of Fame was established to recognize individuals and organizations that have had a significant impact upon the 4-H Youth Development Program and/or its members and leaders at any time since 4-H's beginning. Recipients will be honored at the State 4-H Forum. **Nominations must be received by June 1st.**

Salute to Excellence – Lifetime Volunteer Award

In recognition of a lifetime of volunteerism. Eligibility for this award is extended to those who have served as a 4-H volunteer for 10 years or more at the county or state level. The State Advisory Board will select one nominee for the award. That volunteer will be recognized at the State 4-H Forum Volunteer Recognition banquet. The nomination will be forwarded to the National 4-H Council, which will select a national award recipient from among all the state nominees. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Salute to Excellence – Volunteer of the Year

In recognition of outstanding volunteerism. Eligibility for this award is extended to those who have served as a 4-H volunteer for less than 10 years at the county or state level. The State Advisory Board will select one nominee for the award. That volunteer will be recognized at the State 4-H Forum Volunteer Recognition banquet. The nominee will be asked to complete a personal essay about their 4-H experience. The nomination and essay will be forwarded to the National 4-H Council, which will select a national award recipient from among all the state nominees. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Friend of Washington State 4-H

This award recognizes outstanding persons, businesses, or organizations that have contributed to making Washington State 4-H what it is today. The recipient of the award will be honored at the Volunteer Recognition Banquet at the State 4-H Forum. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Washington State 4-H Volunteer's Staff Award

This award recognizes outstanding staff members that have contributed to making Washington State 4-H what it is today. Eligibility includes any staff member at the county or state level who works cooperatively with volunteers and whose work has impacted 4-H at both the county and state levels. Nominations will be accepted from any County Leaders' Council. The recipient of this award will be honored at the Volunteer Recognition Banquet at the State 4-H Forum. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Washington State 4-H Alumni Award

In recognition of outstanding 4-H alumni who have contributed to Washington State 4-H. Eligibility is for any adult who is at least 23 years of age by September 1 of the current year, who was enrolled in 4-H as a youth and has made a significant contribution to 4-H and/or the community. Nominations will be accepted from any person or group in the 4-H family. Nominees will be honored at the Volunteer Recognition Banquet at the State 4-H Forum. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Heather Rider Leadership Award for Young Adults

This award recognizes the extraordinary leadership and service to others of a young person, aged 19-22 years as of September 1st of the current year. Heather Rider was a Cowlitz county 4-H member who was elected to serve as a State Ambassador and to the State 4-H Advisory Board. Heather was an exceptional young woman who touched many lies in her 4-H career before her life was cut short in September 2005. **Nominations must be received by August 1st.**

Outstanding County Leader Award

Outstanding leaders from each county will be recognized with a certificate and pin at the State 4-H Volunteer Recognition Banquet. **Nominations must be received by September 1st.**

PLEASE NOTE: *Deadline for submitting awards is August 1 (except Outstanding County Leader & 4-H Hall of Fame).* If you do not receive notification that your application has been accepted, within 10 days of submission, please contact the State 4-H office at (253) 445-4550, or e-mail adell@wsu.edu.

Family and Consumer Science Information

Bread Baking Contest Results

Nine 4-H Food Project members participated in the Bread Baking Contest on April 8, 2017. First place winners in each age division will receive a rosette sponsored by 4-H Council at the Awards Ceremony on Monday of the Kittitas County Fair.

Hannah Moes preparing Blueberry Muffins was first place junior. First place intermediate was Chrystal Kain preparing Soft Bagels. Sarah Hutchinson was first placing senior preparing Wheat Bread.

Also participating: Julianne Bryant, Adrienne Herion, Veronica Mattson, Eva Herion, Chloe Mattson, and Kaden Mattson.

Diana Engels served as Superintendent organizing the Bread Baking Contest. Jackie Charlton and Hannah Hall served as judges. The judges commented "that all the participants did such a great job and really showed their skills in the kitchen".

Participants awarded Blue ribbons in the Bread Baking Contest are eligible to compete at State 4-H Fair in September at Puyallup. Great job everyone!

Shooting Sports Information

Shooting Sports County Qualifier Results

Kittitas County 4-H Shooting Sports completed most of their County Qualifiers in March.

The remaining two disciplines completed their competitions and the following members have qualified to attend State:

Air Pistol: Chloe Clyburn, Sophia Smith, Grant Hollar, and Skyler Smith.

.22 Smallbore Pistol: Grant Hollar and Adreana Auckland.

The Washington State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships will be held on various weekends through April and May at venues across the State. The 2017 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships will be held June 25-30 in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Small Animal Information

Poultry Pre-Show

Poultry Pre-Show will be held at the Fairgrounds in the Western Village Room 4 from 9-10:30 a.m. on May 6, 2017. Participants are not required to attend for fair but are strongly encouraged. Poultry birds are welcome to practice fitting and showing and proper fair cage use. However, young chicks (those without adult feathers) cannot attended due to illness and safety concerns. We need them to be strong enough to be around the older birds.

We will be working on fair review, including premium guide changes, items needed for fair, and information you will need to enter your bird for fair. We also will be review fitting and showing items and study information for the fair poultry exam. We will also have the table top agility course set up for those that would like to practice for the fair demo of this. The birds must have a harness and leash to use this course.

Kittitas County 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Pre-Show

The Kittitas County 4-H Youth Rabbit and Cavy Pre-Show is scheduled for June 17, 2017 at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. This event is **required** for all Rabbit and Cavy members to attend to be able to enter their Rabbit/Cavy project(s) at the Kittitas County Fair. If there is an emergency or problem with attending Rabbit and Cavy Pre-Show, a letter needs to be submitted to the Small Animal Committee requesting to be excused **PRIOR** to the event.. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending Pre-Show, a plan to make up for the missed activity, and be written by the 4-H member requesting the excuse.

Livestock Project Information

Livestock Committee Meeting

The next Livestock Committee meeting will be May 16, 2017 **at 7:00 p.m. at the Armory**. Meeting dates have been set for 2017 - 3rd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. with 1 exception*

*June 13, 2017 – second Tuesday
August 15, 2017
September 19, 2017
October 17, 2017
November 21, 2017

Livestock Dates for 2017

The dates for livestock events have been secured at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. They are as follows:

June 10	Sheep Pre-Show
June 10	Goat Clinic
June 10	Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show
June 11	Swine Weigh-In

Lamb and Goat Weigh-In and Pre-Show/Clinic

4-H Market Lamb and Market Goat project members are reminded that the Lamb and Goat Weigh-In and Pre-Show will be held on **Saturday, June 10** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds in Bloom Pavilion. This is a **required** event. Youth are also reminded that they are **required to turn in a PRODUCER SIGNED COPY of the Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health for each lamb or goat that they weigh.**

The following schedule will be used for the Sheep and Goat Pre-Show:

7:00-8:00 am	Goat Weigh-in
8:00-9:00 am	Lamb Weigh-in
8:15-8:45am	Goat Showmanship Workshop
9:00-10:00 am	Sheep & Goat Judging Contest
10:00-11:00am	Goat Workshop #1
10:15am	Lamb Feeder Classes

Lamb Showmanship Classes – will start 15 minutes after Championship Feeder class.

11:00am–12:00pm	Goat Workshop # 2
12:00-1:00pm	Goat Workshop #3
1:00-5:00pm	Llama-Alpaca Pre-Show/Clinic

Following Lamb Feeder Classes there will be a 15 minute break with **Showmanship classes** starting promptly at that time. There will not be a scheduled lunch break.

Any sheep or goat project member who has an emergency or problem attending the Sheep Pre-Show or Goat Clinic needs to write a letter wishing to be excused from this obligation to: Livestock Committee Chair, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926, to be submitted at the Livestock Committee meeting on May 16. The letter needs to address the reason for not attending, who will weigh the steer, a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse.

Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show

The Llama-Alpaca Pre-Show will be held Saturday, June 10, 2017 at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds in Bloom Pavilion from 1:00-5:00 p.m. **Members who have a conflict with the June 10 date are required to write a letter to the Livestock Committee Chairman, 901 E 7th Avenue, Suite 2, Ellensburg, WA 98926 by the Livestock Committee meeting on May 17, to be excused. The letter needs to be written by the 4-H member requesting the excuse, address the reason for not attending, and a plan to make up for this missed activity.**

2017 Hog Weight Change

The hog lower weight has changed from 230 lbs. to 240 lbs. **The hog weight range is 240 lbs. to 300 lbs.**

Swine Weigh-In

All 4-H and FFA members who wish to sell market hogs at the county Fair must have their hogs (limit of 2 per person) weighed and ear-tagged on **Sunday, June 11, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds in Bloom Pavilion. Another member of the family, club or chapter may bring the hogs, if the member is not able to be there. Youth are also reminded that they are **required to turn in a PRODUCER SIGNED COPY of the Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health for each lamb or goat that they weigh.**

Swine Clinic Judging Results

Those members earning the top 10 scores in the Swine Judging Contest at the Swine Clinic on April 9, 2017 are as follows:

Junior

1.	Elizabeth Mohn	148 - 40
2.	Tyler Bacon	148 - 38
3.	McCoy Townsend	141 - 27
4.	Bode Sherley	141 - 22
5.	June Nemrow	140 - 35
6.	Kayliana Blackmore	140 - 30
7.	Ethan Winn	139
8.	Garrett Loen	138 - 32
9.	Chase Carlson	138 - 30
10.	Jared Johnson	138 - 28

Intermediate

1.	Courtney Bach	152
2.	Lily Case	144
3.	Wyatt Crowley	143
4.	Mitch Stampfly	140
5.	Ysabella Rottler	139 - 29
6.	Olya Libenow	139 - 26
7.	Bailey Sherley	138 - 34
8.	Abby Harrell	138 - 27
9.	Seth Walker	136 - 28
10.	Emmett Fenz	136 - 26

Seniors

1.	Tess Preppernau	155
2.	Tim Case	149
3.	Zach Bahmiller	148 - 35
4.	Austin Gordon	148 - 34
5.	Julie Hillemann	143
6.	Johnathan Welker	141
7.	Caleb Brashler	140
8.	Madison Thompson	139 - 38
9.	Tyson Dekoning	139 - 26
10.	Samantha Magdlin	139 - 25
11.	Shania Ritter	139 - 23

***Note: ties were broken by the Oral Reasons Score**

There were 151 youth that participated in the Swine Judging Contest. A big thank you goes to Steve Russell who conducted the judging contest. Also, a big Thank You goes to everyone that helped as group leaders, taking oral reasons and scoring the worksheets.

Attendance at Pre Fair Activities

The **Sheep Pre-Show, Goat Pre-Show and Llama/ Alpaca Pre-Show** are **required** activities for 4-H and FFA members to attend to be able to show and sell their Livestock at the Kittitas County Fair. If there is an emergency or problem with attending these events a **letter must** be written to the **4-H Livestock Committee PRIOR** to the event. ***The letter needs to address the reason for not attending pre-shows or clinic, who will weigh and show the animal in a feeder class (if applicable), a plan to make up for this missed activity and be written by the 4-H or FFA member requesting the excuse***. If a 4-H/FFA member has a problem attending the **Sheep Pre-Show, Goat Clinic or Llama/Alpaca Pre-Show**, then a letter needs to be submitted to the Livestock Committee by the Livestock Committee meeting on **May 16**.

Horse Project Information

1st Horse Judging Contest Results

The top 10 judging scores in each division on the first horse judging session held at Bloom Pavilion on April 3, 2017 were received by the following members:

Junior

1.	Samantha Coppock	192
2.	Gage Weaver	186
3.	Aubrey Wells	180
4.	Louis Favero	173
5.	Austin Wickerath	172
6.	Hailey Vraves	167
7.	Emily Ryder	159
8.	June Nemrow	145
9.	Hunter McKean	128
10.	Olivia Mitchell	127

Intermediate

1.	Madeline Meyer	208
2.	Annie Schlanger	194
3.	Adele Caron	184
4.	Chloe Brown	179
5.	Carsyn Arlt	178
6.	Frances Valverde	172
7.	Seth Walker	168
8.	Shianne Watts	167
9.	Faith Rotter	163
10.	Chloe Clyburn	159

Senior

1.	Tatum Najar	203
2.	Anamaria Vincent	198
3.	Karlee Hansen	197 - 41
4.	Lauren Favero	197 - 40
5.	Anna Walters	193 - 29
6.	Mikaila Montgomery	193 - 26
7.	Kathleen Montgomery	192
8.	Megan Ray	187
9.	Elle Larson	186 - 27
10.	Braidon Bach	186 - 23

There were 46 youth that participated in the first Horse Judging Contest. A big Thank You goes to Bobbi Broderius for organizing the Judging Contest. Thank you to all the group leaders and horse exhibitors.

Washington State 4-H Equine Presentation Contest

The Washington State 4-H Equine Public Presentations competition is comprised of three contests: the Public Speaking contest, the Individual Presentation contest, and the Team Presentation contest. Contestants may participate in only one contest per year at the Washington State Fair 4-H competition in Puyallup. Any 4-H Horse Member interested in competing in the Kittitas County Contest should call the Extension Office by June 1.

The subject of your demonstration or speech must pertain to the Equine Industry. Public Speaking Contest speech should be 7-10 minutes long, Individual Presentations should be 9 – 12 minutes in length, and Team Presentations should be 10-15 minutes long. Major references must be cited at the end of the presentation. The Extension Office has sample scoresheets and rules and regulations for you to review as you prepare for the contest. Check out http://extension.wsu.edu/4h/projects/stem/horse/horse-project-resources/ to learn more about the National Equine Public Presentation opportunities.

4-H Sponsorship of Open Horse Shows

A 4-H Club hosting a horse show either as a schooling show exclusively for 4-H members or for fund raising purposes as an "open" horse show must follow 4-H policies. We insist that the 4-H name and emblem is associated with only the best practices in positive youth development including the health and safety of youth and animals as well as the best developmental opportunities for youth.

A 4-H Club can host a horse show exclusively for 4-H'ers, or for "open" youth or for "open" youth and adults. When a club is considering hosting a show they first of all need to determine their goals – in other words why are they interested in hosting the show? Is it to educate and give experience to current 4-H members, or perhaps attract new youth to the 4-H Program, or to raise money to support their 4-H Club efforts or some combinations of these goals.

Managing a 4-H schooling show that is an exclusively 4-H environment seldom raises questions.

However, sponsoring an open show frequently results in a number of questions. 4-H policies must be followed (at a minimum) including:

- Riders must meet 4-H age criteria – consequently youth who have not reached their 8th birthday by October 1st of current 4-H year, cannot show in classes with horses. They may participate in non-horse classes like stick-horse etc.
- All youth riders must wear approved helmets, along with appropriate footwear.
- They also must follow the 4-H age divisions of junior (age 8 - 10); Intermediate (age 11-13); and Senior (age 14 - 18) with no cross age competition.
- Adult classes are allowed in an open show.
- Hi-point and other cumulative awards not allowed where there is head to head in arena cross-age competition.
- Refer to the 4-H Horse Contest Guide for additional safety considerations.

If 4-H policies are not followed for open horse shows, 4-H liability coverage, labor and industries coverage for volunteer injuries and American Income Life Accident Insurance will not be in force because an open show not in compliance of 4-H standards would not be considered a 4-H event. Therefore, 4-H has no oversight of these non-compliant open activities. Additionally, a 4-H club cannot manage the monies in support of a non-compliant open show nor use the non-profit 501(c)3 tax exempt status that 4-H enjoys. This is because the 4-H Club account has been created for the express purpose of supporting 4-H programming, therefore, cannot be used to manage funds from an open horse show that is not in compliance with 4-H policies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Jennifer Leach** at: jleach@wsu.edu or 360-577-3014 EXT. 4.

2017 HORSE 4-H DATES

April 30	Horse Certificates Due by 5:00 p.m.
May 1	2nd Horse Judging – Bloom Pavilion – 6:30 pm
June 17-18	4-H Horse Training Day, Bloom Pavilion
June 19, 26	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7-9pm
June 29	Kittitas County Demonstration Contest Deadline – last published Contest Date in June
July 17, 24, 31	Monday Night Riding – Rodeo Arena 7-9pm
July 21-23	4-H Horse Pre-Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 8pm
August 11	State Fair Interest form due by 5:00 pm
August 15	Junior Horse Fair: Barn Open for Decorations
August 16	Junior Horse Fair: R.V. Parking Open
August 17-20	Kittitas County Junior Horse Fair – Bloom Pavilion & Rodeo Arena
8/31 – 9/4	Kittitas County Fair
September?	4-H Horse Recruitment Show – Bloom Pavilion – 8am – 7pm
October 7	Bits & Buckles 4-H Gaming Schooling Show 8am-7pm

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