A Word From Your Agent...

2021 Shawnee County Fair: Everyday Heroes at the Shawnee County Fair

With the county fair just days away here are a few tips to help you have a great fair experience:

Keep cool and have fun! Fair can be a stressful time for everyone. Try and remember the reason for exhibiting at the County Fair. To support the knowledge gained by youth in their project that year. No matter the color of the ribbon received we want to celebrate how much they have learned!

Know when exhibit check-in and judging times are. Times and places do change from year to year so double check the fair book schedule! Also this year most 4-H divisions will be in Landon Hall. We will post on the 4-H website when we have the new list of division locations.

Don’t be afraid to ask questions! If you have a question about an exhibit ask your division superintendent or the Extension Staff. On Thursday and Friday there will always be someone at the information table in Landon Arena to help you.

When in doubt, read your fair book. The county fair book is a great place to start when you need to know division rules or what materials you need to bring for your exhibit.

If you have any suggestions for improvement please leave a comment in the comment box at the info table. We are always trying to improve the fair!

The County Fair is a great time to enter your State Fair exhibits! There will be forms at the info table in Expo Hall. State Fair entries are due August 1st for everything except livestock and horse. Youth 9 and older can enter for the state fair and many of the exhibits can be transported by the Extension office. We take a minivan so we can not take large items like big woodworking exhibits.

Please make sure you or someone you know is picking up your fair entries on Sunday July 25th at 4:00 p.m. or immediately following the Fashion Revue. All exhibits need to be removed from the fair between the end of Fashion Revue and 5pm. If you pick up exhibits for another youth, please communicate with that family you are doing so before you leave the fair. No exhibits can be picked up before the conclusion of the Fashion Revue.

Once again this year we will be loading the fair semi-trailers after the fair on Sunday. Please plan to stay around the fair for a little while to help us put the fair away.

Thank you in advance to all the volunteers that help make the Shawnee County Fair possible. We look forward to seeing you July 17-18th for the Horse Show and July 22nd-25th at the Shawnee County Fair!
Mark Your Calendar!

- July 16th Clothing Judging (Construction, Buymanship and Fashion Revue) Horticulture Judging Contest, Lowman Methodist Church
- July 17-18 County Fair 4-H Horse Show
- July 18 Photography Entry and Judging, Manor Conf. Center
- July 22-25 Shawnee County Fair
- July 24 4-H Pancake Feed 7am-Noon
- July 25 Senior Recognition 12:30pm
- July 25 King and Queen Announcement 1:00pm

Horticulture Judging Materials

For anyone interested in participating in horticulture judging, the study materials are now available online! The competition will take place on July 17th from 10:30 am-1:00 pm at Loman United Methodist Church.

The horticulture competition is broken into three parts: written exam, quality judging and identification. Families interested in trying the competition for the first time can contact Ariel (arielw@ksu.edu) for additional information. The local contest is a qualifying competition for the state horticulture judging contest in late summer. Don’t miss the opportunity to try it out!

https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/lawn-garden/4.h.horticultureprograms.html

Hope to see you there!

Ariel Whitely-Noll
Horticulture Agent
K-State Research and Extension—Shawnee County
Livestock Corner

YQCA Requirements:
YQCA certifications must be completed and presented to Haley Kelley, kelley13@ksu.edu, by July 22nd. All training is to be completed online (https://yqca.learngrow.io/Account/Login).
YQCA certification is required for all Cattle (Dairy & Beef), Bucket Calf, all Goats (Dairy & Meat), Sheep and Swine exhibitors, ages 8-19, to show at the 2021 Shawnee County Fair.
Exhibitors who are 7-year-old will not be required to have this training to show at the County Fair for 2021. Poultry Exhibitors planning on selling pens of 3 will also need to complete the training to sell at the Fair for 2021.

Buyer Forms:
If your 4-Her is planning on selling an animal though the Livestock Sale (Saturday, July 24th @ 5pm), a Buyer form is required to be turned into the Office no later than July 16th. Buyer forms can be picked up at the Office or found in the Fairbook on Page 61.
Any 4-Her that does not have a Buyer form turned in by the above date will not be permitted to sell their animal through the Shawnee County Livestock Sale this year.

Barn Fair Schedule:

Saturday, July 17th
7-9 am: Horse Stalls available & Check In
10 am- Horse Show

Sunday, July 18th
9 am: Horse Show
7 pm: Horse Judging Contest

Wednesday, July 21st
5-9 pm: Beef, Bucket Calf, Goats, Sheep and Swine may enter Dome Arena.

Thursday, July 22nd
7 am: Barn is Open for Livestock entry. Including Poultry.
9-9:30am- Meat Goat and Sheep Weigh In
10:30- 11:30 am: Market Beef, Bucket Calf & Heifer Weigh In
11 am: All Livestock Exhibitor Meeting
6 pm: Swine Show

Friday, July 23rd
9 am: Meat/Pygmy Goat & Poultry Judging
10:30 am: Sheep Judging
1 pm: Poultry Showmanship
5 pm: Bucket Calf Judging
6 pm: Beef Judging

Saturday, July 24th
8:30 am: Dairy Goat Judging
9:30 am: Dairy Cattle Judging
10 am: Poultry Judging Contest
1 pm: Shephard’s Lead
5 pm: Livestock Sale
6-11 pm: Family Fun Night

Sunday, July 15th
9 am: Round Robin Showmanship
11 am: Livestock Judging Contest

All exhibits released at 4:00pm OR immediately following the completion of the Fashion Revue. Livestock will load out of the South end of Domes Arena.
Kansas 4-H State Events and Activities

KDA Photo Contest
Submitted by Heather Lansdowne

The beauty of Kansas agriculture has been celebrated throughout the state’s ag industry, and we encourage photographers to capture that beauty and share it with others through the Kansas Department of Agriculture’s annual photo contest. KDA began accepting photos on June 7, and will continue accepting entries through August 16.

This year’s KDA Photo Contest categories were selected to promote different aspects of Kansas agriculture. Kansas Weather, Celebrating Local Foods, Water in Kansas and Rural Kansas categories will showcase the many places and ways we experience agriculture across the state of Kansas — from the beauty of the Flint Hills and the western plains to the family-run local ranches and colorful farmers’ markets, and the many ways that weather and water have an impact on Kansas agriculture. And for the first time ever, we have added a Video category to showcase drone footage, harvest videos, or other short clips of under 30 seconds. As always, there will be a separate Youth category, for young photographers under age 19. Prizes will be awarded to the top two winners in each of the six categories.

KDA serves to advocate for agriculture, the state’s largest industry and economic driver. Photos which best capture the categories will be used throughout the year as we tell the story of Kansas agriculture. After submission, KDA is granted permission to use any photograph for publications, social media, websites, displays, etc. without payment or other consideration from the photographer.

Photo entries should be sent in .jpg format to KDA.PhotCON@ks.gov. Videos should be sent in .mp4 or .mov format. Entries must include a title and brief description, where and when the photo/video was taken, the photographer’s full name and age, entry category hometown and email address.

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KDA Photo Contest
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Guidelines for the KDA Photo Contest, including deadlines, categories and prizes, can be found at agriculture.ks.gov/photocontest. Voting to select finalists will begin on KDA’s social media sites in late August. For more information, contact Heather Lansdowne, KDA director of communications, at Heather.Lansdowne@ks.gov or 785-564-6706.

Livestock Sweepstakes Scheduled for August 21-22
Submitted by Lexie Hayes

The 2021 Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes is scheduled for August 21-22 on the K-State campus in Manhattan, KS. The 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes event includes the state 4-H livestock judging contest, meat judging contest, livestock skillathon, and livestock quiz bowl. We have been approved to host the event in-person, on campus! Rules and information will be released later this month. The deadline to enter will be August 1. All entries must be made by your local Extension Unit using Cvent. For more information, contact Lexie Hayes at adhayes@ksu.edu or 785-532-1264.
Auburn 4-H Club

This month for the June Auburn 4-H Club, we held our monthly meeting and had several booths at the June Jamboree craft fair. For our club’s monthly meeting, we had a walk-in taco bar and an ice cream cake from a previously won poster-making competition. We also had multiple 4-hers hold craft booths for this year’s June Jamboree.

-Elizabeth Poling, Auburn Club Reporter

Silver Lake 4-H Club

Silver Lake 4-H club has been busy this last month. At our June meeting, Jaylee gave a demonstration on how to make her delicious cinnamon rolls. Club members delivered items to the pregnancy resource center and have participated in cooking classes. We also had club members participate in the 150 year celebration of Silver Lake with a club float, complete with goats.

~Andrew Weber, Reporter
Riverside 4-H Club

The Riverside Club met in-person in June. This month our club cleaned up the Landon Trail. The club discussed the club Fair projects, Pancake Feed and fair entries. We practiced making motions in groups during the parliamentarian report.

During the program two 4-Hers gave arts project talks, we participated in a flag quiz for Flag Day and sang "You're a Grand Old Flag."

The club enjoyed K-State Call Hall ice cream sundaes for refreshments.

~Cameron Thompson, Reporter

Indian Creek 4-H Club

This month for 4H we had a cookout first we ate then we had the meeting then we had a water balloon fight it was really fun I loved this meeting because we were all together and I can’t wait until another one like this meeting!

~Clayton Johnson, Reporter
Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

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