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**Audubon County 4-H Newsletter—April 2019**

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- County & State Fair Livestock Updates including Sheep & Goat Weigh-in
- Pop Tabs for JACY
- FULL Calendar

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr 1 Audubon County 4-H Scholarship **deadline (5:30 PM)**

Apr 1 Market Broiler order **deadline (5:30 PM)**

Apr 3 or 4 YQCA face-to-face session

**Apr 7-13 NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**

Apr 15 Animal Science Round Up **registration deadline**

Apr 17 Horse Exhibitor Meeting (optional, but recommended)

May 4 Sheep & Goat Weigh-in

Please note: Due to various circumstances, the RISE UP workshop has been canceled at this time. We hope to be able to offer it again in the future.

## CONTACT US:

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8:30 am—5:30 pm Monday-Thursday

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## 2019 FAIRBOOK COVER CONTEST

The theme for the 2019 Audubon County Fair is  
**“A Universe of Possibilities”**

Clover Commissions is holding a fairbook cover design contest and will choose a winner at their April meeting. The winner will receive a prize, recognition at the 4-H Recognition event at the fair, and be our featured artist for the cover of all the 2019 fairbooks.

### Fairbook cover requirements:

- Portrait orientation only, not landscape
- Include the title: Audubon County Fairbook
- Include the 4-H and FFA emblems
- Include the fair dates - July 17-21, 2019

Submit your fairbook cover design to the Extension Office by  
**NOON, APRIL 15.**

Original designs only!



## HORSE EXHIBITORS—SAVE THE DATE

While Deb Steffes plans to remain involved with the project area, she has stepped down as the 4-H Horse Superintendent. Eric & Hollie Rudy have agreed to be our 4-H Horse Superintendents for the 2019 fair. They would like to meet with exhibitors and parents prior to setting practice dates.

**Mark your calendars for Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.**

Attendance (with parent/s) is recommended, but optional. It will be approximately a 30-minute meeting.

Items for discussion:

- Goals for lesson planning/horse practices
- Times/Dates for horse practices
- Best way to communicate horse related items



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## MAY 15 REMINDERS

**NEW 4-H MEMBERS:** New 4-H members' enrollment paperwork must be received to the Extension Office by **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th** to be eligible to show at County Fair. Call the office to verify your status if you have questions!

**ANIMAL ID FORMS DUE:** If you are exhibiting breeding beef, bottle-bucket calf, cow-calf pair, dairy, feeder calves, dog, swine, horse/pony or leased horse, you need to enter in 4hOnline OR fill out an animal ID form and return to the Extension Office by **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th**.

### NO LATE FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!

FFA exhibitors need to fill out an ID form and return to the office on or before the deadline.

**GARDEN PLOTS:** Contact Abby by **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th** if you wish to tend a garden plot this year (even if you have done so in the past). Plots unclaimed on May 15 will be offered to Clover Kids.

**4-H ENROLLMENT FEE:** Club treasurer needs to pay their club's membership fee by **WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th**.

**FAIR FOOD DRIVE/SCULPTURE CONTEST:** Clubs should indicate interest in participating by **WEDNESDAY, May 15th**.

## LOCAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

**Rabbit Clinic** - attend this one-hour opportunity to learn more about caring for and showing your rabbit. Rabbit ownership is not a requirement to attend. [Find the poll](#) on the Facebook page to help us determine which day in June works best! This is open for Clover Kids, too!

**Fair 101** - new and newer members are invited to attend this workshop to find out more about a variety of fair opportunities. *Ask all your questions* and get a jump on project exhibits, write-ups, clothing event details and more! Third grade Clover Kids and their parents are welcome! Contact Ann for more details!

**Horticulture & Gardening** - Master Gardeners are working on a 6-hour day camp for youth. Watch the Facebook page and future newsletters for more information!

**On Their Own and Okay** - this day camp targets 4th, 5th and 6th graders and provides them with the self-care skills needed to safely and confidently be home on their own during the day. We will practice skills for simple food preparation, how to identify and handle an emergency as well as healthy ways to spend their time. Contact Ann for more details!

## YQCA - (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) Trainings

- Interactive, web-based modules are available for all age divisions. A fee of \$12 **per member** will be collected when you login. These modules are **age-specific**.\*  
**Choose the age you were on Sept 15, 2018.**
- Face-to-face training lasts approximately one hour and will cost \$3 per participant and is payable when registering online. **Choose the age you were on Sept 15, 2018.**
- Face-to-face trainings are:
  - April 3 - **4:15-5:30 PM** @ Extension Office
  - April 4 - **4:00-5:15 PM** @ Exira Public Library

**To register for a face-to-face training, or begin the training modules, follow this link:**

<https://yqca.learnrow.io/Account/Login>

**Use your 4hOnline credentials.**

**Select your 4-H AGE (as of Sept 15, 2018)**

**Pre-registration is REQUIRED.**

**SUBMIT A PAPER OR ELECTRONIC COPY OF YOUR COMPLETION CERTIFICATE TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE.**

Please contact the office with any questions you have. This is a fairly new process for many of our exhibitors and families!

**TRAINING DEADLINE IS JUNE 15, 2019**



### FIGURE 8 RACES—Concession Stand

Clubs are invited to select a date to work the concession stand at the Figure 8 Races hosted by our Fairboard. This on-going partnership helps support the fair board and their efforts to improve our grounds and fair activities and provides our 4-H program with access to the Agri-Hall.

Contact the office staff to claim your preferred date. Smaller clubs are encouraged to work together and provide multiple shifts.

	Dates:		
June 14	<u>C.D. Starlighters</u>	July 5	August 2
June 28		July 19	

Shifts start at 6 PM Two or more adults need to be present and a maximum of 8 youth at a time is recommended.



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# LEARN BY DOING

## CAMP WILD June 8-10, 2019

Take a ride on the "WILD" side and mark your calendars to attend **Camp Wild**, June 8-10, 2019 at Camp Clover Woods near Madrid, Iowa. Camp Wild is offered for ANY youth completing grades 5, 6, or 7 in Spring 2019.

Experience adventure and excitement during three days filled with 4-H camp traditions and favorite activities, including nature hikes, challenge course, creek walk, rock wall, archery, swimming, camp songs, crafts, and camp fires. Bring a friend with you and make new ones while you are there too! Registration is open.



### Registration Deadline is May 15, 2019.

Register by May 1, 2019 and get the early bird rate of \$200 (4-H youth) or \$230 (non-4-H youth)

After May 1, registration increases to \$220 (4-H Youth) and \$250 (non-4-H Youth). **Scholarships are available through our office and also from the Iowa 4-H Foundation.** Contact the Extension office or visit

## 4-H Youth Conference



Every June, almost 900 teenagers converge on the campus of Iowa State University for 3 days full of **inspiring speakers, workshops, mixers, DANCES, a banquet,** and community service activities. This conference is planned *by teens for teens!*

If you've completed 8th through 12th grades, you're eligible to attend. You don't even have to be in 4-H to attend

this conference, so bring a friend! You will get to experience campus life and meet new people from across the state! You will be having fun while **learning by doing, dancing** the nights away, and **servicing the community.** You will get to learn new things to take back to your community and school, and in the process you might even discover something new about yourself! There are opportunities for you to share your talents with the rest of the delegation through small group discussion, the Conference Chorus, and a Talent Show!

Regular registration for a fee of \$180 closes on June 1 with late registration for \$200 available until June 11.

### Local scholarships are available!

For more info, or to register, visit:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference>



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## County & State Fair Livestock Updates

### MARKET BROILERS

**Order deadline is Monday, April 1st.** Orders are a minimum of 25 chicks @ \$1.50 each. Payment is due when the order is placed.

### SHEEP & GOAT WEIGH IN

**Saturday, May 4, 9-11 AM @ Audubon County Fairgrounds**

- Ear tags cost \$1.50 each.
  - Each animal verified for the Iowa State Fair will be tagged, weighed and have retinal images collected. **Cost \$6.50/head** (includes cost of ear tag)
  - **Goats:** All goat does (females) need to have a **birthdate** provided.
  - Pay with check or cash. Exact change appreciated.
- Following the weigh-in, families will verify the data in 4hOnline **PRIOR TO MAY 15.** Instructions will be provided at weigh-in.

### BREEDING BEEF

NEW RULE= **ALL heifers** need two forms of identification entered in 4hOnline.

These include:

- a tattoo **AND**
- official 4-H ear tag **OR**  
Calfhood vaccination number **OR**  
registration # (if purebred)

### SWINE

**EAR NOTCHES** are required for only Iowa State Fair-bound animals with DNA Punch Ear Tags.

REFER TO THE 4H 202 document available via this link:  
<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194>

### AK-SAR-BEN CHANGES

NEW IN 2019: **ALL AKSARBEN** animals will be both identified **AND** entered for the show through AKSARBEN directly. County staff will not handle any paperwork, payment, or DNA hair samples. Families identify animals, submit DNA hair samples and submit show entries on their own.



## APRIL

- Apr 1 **Senior Scholarship application deadline, 5:30 pm**  
**Market Broiler order deadline, 5:30 pm**
- Apr 3 YQCA Face-to-Face training, 4:15-5:30 PM @ Extension Office
- Apr 4 YQCA Face-to-Face training, 4-5:15 PM @ Exira Public Library
- Apr 6 **Exira Explorers club meeting, 4 pm @ Exira Public Library**
- Apr 7-13 **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK**
- Apr 14 **Leroy Leaders club meeting, time TBD @ AMVC Mgmt Office**  
**Lucky Lincolns club meeting, 3:30 pm @ Extension Office**  
**Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, 1PM @ Art Exchange, Panora**  
**C.D. Starlighters club meeting, 5 pm @ Extension Office**  
**Tip Top club meeting, time TBD @ Exira Public Library**
- Apr 15 **Animal Science Round-Up Application Deadline**  
**Fairbook Cover Contest –entry deadline by 5:30 pm**  
Clover Commissions meeting, 6 PM @ Extension Office
- Apr 17 Horse Exhibitor Meeting, 6:30 PM @ Extension Office
- Apr 28 Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Center

## MAY

- May 1 Camp Wild Early Bird Registration Deadline
- May 4 **Sheep & Goat Weigh-In, 9-11 am @ Fairgrounds**  
Exira Explorers club meeting, 4 pm @ Exira Care Center
- May 5 Leroy Leaders club meeting, 1:30 pm @ AMVC Mgmt Office  
Tip Top club meeting, 3 pm @ Exira Public Library  
C.D. Starlighters club meeting, 5 pm @ Audubon Rec Center
- May 12 Lucky Lincolns club meeting, 3:30 pm @ Extension Office
- May 15 **Camp Wild registration deadline**  
**NEW 4-H Member enrollment deadline**  
**Animal ID, garden plot deadline**  
**Fair Food Drive/Sculpture Contest deadline**
- May 19 Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, 4:30 pm @ TBD
- May 20 Clover Commissions meeting, 6 PM @ Extension Office
- May 26 Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Center
- May 27 **Office Closed - Memorial Day**

## JUNE

- June 1 **Youth Conference Registration Deadline**
- June 8-10 **Camp Wild, Clover Woods Camping Center, Madrid**
- June 9 Leroy Leaders club meeting, 1:30 pm @ AMVC Mgmt Office  
Tip Top club meeting, 3 pm @ Exira Legion Park  
Lucky Lincolns club meeting, 3:30 pm @ Extension Office
- June 14 C.D. Starlighters club meeting, 5:30 pm @ Fairgrounds  
Figure 8 Races, 7:30 @ Grandstand, Audubon County Fairgrounds
- June 16 Bunkhouse Gang club meeting, 4:30 pm @ TBD
- June 17 Clover Commissions meeting, 6 PM @ Extension Office
- June 20 **Pop tab collection deadline**
- June 23 Shooting Sports club meeting, 3 PM @ Conservation Center
- June 25-28 **Youth Conference @ ISU Campus, Ames**
- June 27 Music in the Park—Brad Morgan Concert—4-H Fundraiser
- June 28 Figure 8 Races, 7:30 @ Grandstand, Audubon County Fairgrounds
- TBD Exira Explorers club meeting
- TBD Rabbit Clinic
- TBD Gardening Day Camp

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## National Volunteer Week is celebrated April 7-13

*VOLUNTEER: (noun) A person who freely offers to undertake a task*

Volunteers are the  of our 4-H program!

Our **CLUB LEADERS** and **FAIR SUPERINTENDENTS** are among the volunteers that make our 4-H program what it is. Please find a minute to say “THANKS” during the week!

## COLLECT POP TABS FOR JACY

Once again, the State 4-H Council members are collecting pop tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House in Des Moines in memory of Jacy McAlexander. Our Extension Office will [collect tabs until mid-June](#) and they will be added to the state-wide contribution at the 4-H Youth Conference. If you aren't already, start saving tabs and bring your collection to the office by Thursday, June 20!

The State 4-H Ambassadors have set a goal to finish Jacy's goal of **5 TONS of TABS** by what would have been his 19th birthday in September.

At last count, his donation topped 2200 POUNDS!



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