Boone County 4-H Dates to Remember for 2014 – 2015

Generosity Craze

Watch newsletter for information on Environmental Interest, Horse Interest, Hyperstream, Poultry, Science & Tech and Shooting Sports.

**October 2014**

**Club meetings** - Recruit new members; complete online re-enrollment in 4honline and collect $35 program development fee; elect officers; select program planning committee; plan recognition or family activity; conduct activities for National 4-H Week.

1. Discover 4-H Night, 6:30-7:30 pm at Extension Office
2. National 4-H Week
3. 2014 Homecoming – Fall Frenzy
4. Boone Babysitting 9:00 – 4:00 pm at Boone County Hospital (pre-register)
5. Junior Halloween Party, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Community Building at fairgrounds
6. Beef It Up Workshop, ISU, Registration required.
7. Boone Babysitting Basics, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Community Building at fairgrounds
8. Ice Fishing @ Don Williams, 9:00 am
9. Boone County 4-H Awards Day, 2:00 pm, Community Building at the Boone County Fairgrounds
10. Multi-County 4-H Club Officer Training/Dance Competition, 6:30 - 11:00 pm at Christy Hall in Nevada
11. 4honline re-enrollment completed and $35 program fee due to the Extension Office
12. Clubs with 80% of members re-enrolling (forms and fee above) Candy Bars

**November 2014**

**Club meetings** - Finish club programs; hold club award recognition or family activity; install new officers, new member ceremony; encourage participation in club officer training; review 4-H newsletter; turn in $35 per member program fee to Extension Office by Nov.26; update 4-H records.

1. Omelet breakfast at fairgrounds serving 6 – 9 am - supports Outstanding 4-H Graduate award
2. Boone County 4-H Awards Day, 2:00 pm, Community Building at the Boone County Fairgrounds
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**December 2014**

**Club meetings** - Discuss market beef and Pen of 3 weigh-in date, encourage senior members to apply for state project awards, State Council, National Congress, or National 4-H Conference; Pioneer Grant and Iowa’s Youth Promise Grant – applications due; family or holiday activities or citizenship, recognize members receiving county awards, update 4-H records, review 4-H newsletter.

1. Deadline for 2014 Fall DuPont Pioneer Community Improvement Seed Grant Applications
2. Market beef weigh-in/Pen of 3 weigh-in (snow date Dec. 20) 8 am – 10 am

**January 2015**

**Club Meetings** - Distribute and discuss club programs and record keeping materials; write project goals for coming year and update Participation/Project Summary; review 4-H newsletter.

1. Ice Fishing @ Don Williams, 9:00 am

**February 2015**

**Club meetings** - Update records, review 4-H newsletter.

1. Applications for State Project Awards, National Conference, Congress, and State 4-H Council due to State 4-H Office
2. Iowa 4-H Foundation college scholarship applications due to State 4-H Office
3. New Volunteer Training, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm, Story County Extension Office
4. Boone Babysitting Basics, 4th floor conference rooms, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
5. Beef It Up Workshop, ISU, Registration required.
6. Fairboard Pancake Fundraiser, 4:30 -7:00 pm, Community Building (Tentative)
7. Fairboard Pancake Fundraiser, 7:00 am – Noon (tentative)

**March 2015**

**Club meetings** - Discuss 4-H’ers for 4-H contributions; remind senior age 4-H’ers to earn points for county council; update record keeping, review 4-H newsletter.

1. Fair rule changes, superintendents, committees, judges & trophy donors confirmed for 2015 county fair
2. Rabbit & Poultry FSQA at Fairgrounds, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
3. 4-H Junior Fun Night at Ogden Middle School
4. Spring Omelet Breakfast 6:00 – 9:00 am, Community Building at fairgrounds. (Tentative)
5. FSQA Food Safety and Quality Assurance (beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goat, rabbit, poultry) 7:00 – 8:30 pm at fairgrounds (attend one night)
7. Extension Week
8. Planning Meeting for Tri-County Junior Camp 6:00 – 7:30 pm at Extension Office

(Continued over)
April 2015

**Club meetings** - New and returning 4-H'ers must be enrolled and $35 paid by May 1, reminder that Livestock ID’s

Must be in 4Honline by May 15; confirm 4-H’ers for 4-H donation; update record keeping; discuss county educational presentations, state camps, Iowa 4-H Conference, Animal Science ROUNDUP; check registration dates for summer activities; check newsletter for aerospace

16   Required Leader Training/Fair Prep meeting 4 – 6 pm or 7 – 9 pm at Extension Office
19   Financial assistance requests due to Extension Office for Conference
25   Spring Volunteer Day at 4-H Camp (Tentative)
TBA  Aerospace Interest Group, 9 am – Noon, Extension Office
TBA  Sheep weigh-in at fairgrounds – morning

May 2015

**Club meetings** - Distribute fair books and review changes; stress importance of complete, accurate identification of livestock projects; plan club tour and fair help session; practice county educational presentations; complete registrations for summer activities; review 4-H newsletter; volunteer for fair committees and responsibilities including Fashion Day, decorations, judge's helper, and Extravaganza; check newsletter for aerospace interest group information.

1   4-H’ers must be enrolled and $35 program development fee paid to exhibit at county fair
1   Clubs with 3% growth in members over last year
TBA  Aerospace Interest Group, 9 am – Noon, Extension Office
3   New Member Night: What to Expect at Fair.  5:00 pm, Community Building at fairgrounds.
15  State 4-H Conference/ROUNDUP registrations due to EO
15  4-H’ers for 4-H donations due to the Extension Office
15  ALL LIVESTOCK ID’S Due in 4Honline for dairy cow and goat, dog, horse, sheep, swine, rabbit and breeding beef (includes breeding heifers, produce of dam, cow calf and bucket bottle calf)
TBA  **Dog Obedience classes begin** – weekly at fairgrounds
TBA  Aerospace Interest Group, 9 am – Noon, Boone County Fairgrounds

June 2015

**Club meetings** – club tours and help session; set up committees for fair booths, food stand, pre- and post-fair clean-up, hosting exhibit building or cleaning show ring and wash racks, herdsmanship, etc.; explain and complete county fair entry forms and turn in by the deadline, complete exhibit entry tags, discuss State Fair livestock entries due July 1, review 4-H newsletter.

1   Region 8 FSQA Final Makeup, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Story County Extension, Nevada
2   Fish Iowa! Basics for Beginners Fishing Clinic, Don Williams
4   Fish Iowa! Intermediate Anglers Fishing Clinic, Don Williams
TBA  Poultry Pullorum testing/Rabbit Tattooing, morning – by apt only – Rabbit Building, BCF
21   Iowa 4-H Youth Conference/Animal Science ROUNDUP orientation, 4 pm, Extension Office
TBA  Intermediate Trip to Minneapolis
TBA  Aerospace Interest Group model rocket launch 6 p.m. (weather permitting)
30-July 2 Iowa 4-H Conference and Animal Science ROUNDUP, Iowa State University

July 2015

**Club meetings** - County fair responsibilities – food stand, host exhibit building, pre or post fair clean up, herdsmanship, clean show ring and wash racks, read 4-H newsletter, reports from youth attending summer 4-H events.

1   Iowa State Fair entries due for livestock, small animals, and horticulture
1   Boone County Fair entries due - all animal, fashion day, and communications entry forms
1   **Generosity Craze** Club Incentive and Evaluation due to Extension Office for $1 coupon to 4-H Foodstand
13  Educational Presentation & Extemporaneous Speaking, Community Building late afternoon
16  Pre-Fair Clean up – Clubs assigned to either pre or post fair clean up – see fairbook
17  County Council workday
20  Fashion Day (judging morning, style show evening) and Share the Fun, Community Building
22 – 26 **Boone County Fair** (22nd is 4-H static exhibit judging and 4-H livestock entry day)
TBA  Post fair appreciation and evaluation meeting for superintendents, committees, leaders

August 2015

**Club meetings** - Comments on fair, complete record keeping; discuss award nomination guidelines, recruit new members and new leaders if needed; review 4-H newsletter, remind members to write thank you notes

5-7   Tri-County Junior Camp
13 - 23   Iowa State Fair
20   County Council Membership Points due to Extension Office (10 points for new, 20 for returning members)

September 2015

**Club meetings** - Recruit new members, plan National 4-H Week activities, review 4-H newsletter, turn in records and award applications, review achievements of past year and begin plans for new club year.

1   Record keeping/awards applications due to 4-H leaders
15  Record keeping/awards applications due from leaders to Extension Office for county recognition
17  Fall organization Leaders Meeting, 4:00 – 5:00 pm or 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Extension Office