



# CARROLL COUNTY 4H NEWSLETTER

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### Important Dates to Remember

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| June            | Painting, Floral Arrangement, and Photography workshops. Date TBD  |
| <b>June 1</b>   | <b>Breeding Beef (breeding heifer, cow/calf pair and feeder calves), Dog, Poultry and Swine ID's due in 4-H Online</b> |
| June 1          | Bucket Bottle ID and Pre-Entry Due to Extension Office   |
| June 1          | Clothing, Communication, and Table Setting Pre-Entry Due to Extension Office   |
| June 9          | Ready for Fair Workshop 6:30pm, Extension Office   |
| June 10         | Livestock Pre Entries due to Extension Office  |
| June 20         | Rabbit Tattooing 9-10am, Graham Park Gazebo/Shelter House, Carroll   |
| June 22         | Communication & Table Setting Event  |
| June 25         | Prefair Leader's meeting 6pm, Extension Office   |
| June 29         | Clothing Judging Event   |
| June 30– July 2 | Animal Science Round-Up  |
| July 1          | Rabbit ID and Pre Entry Due to Extension Office  |
| July 14-19      | Carroll County Fair  |

### **IMPORTANT: ALL 4-H EVENTS INCLUDING ANIMAL WEIGH-INS SCHEDULED BETWEEN NOW AND MAY 30, 2020 ARE CANCELLED OR POSTPONED.**

All 4-H programs to be held in person between now and May 30 are to be cancelled under the directive from Iowa State University. This includes club meetings, fundraisers, and workshops. I have sent a list of resources out to club leaders in how to stay engaged in 4-H during this time. Extension staff members have been posting daily videos and educational links for families to view and learn from on our 4-H Facebook page. Extension staff are working remotely, but are available by email. Please let us know if we can do anything to help familiarize you or your members with WebEx, Zoom, or other virtual portals.



### **4-H ANIMAL ID DEADLINE HAS BEEN PUSHED FROM MAY 15 TO JUNE 1, 2020.**

This applies to ALL livestock that are usually identified by May 15 including: Breeding Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Dog, Meat Goat, Poultry, Sheep and Swine. Rabbits will remain at the July 1 deadline. Because we already had our beef and swine weigh ins, we will still be holding our rate of gain shows for those animals as scheduled. **We encourage Beef and Swine exhibitors to have your Animal IDs done by May 15 as originally scheduled.**



## 2020 Fruit and Butter Braid Sales

Thank you to EVERYONE for another successful year of selling fruit and Butter Braids. A special thank you to all of you that helped at the Pepsi Warehouse. Your hard work is appreciated! Our top five sellers for 2020:

Brileigh Bock (Richland Hot Shots)-\$3,408

Kendra Schuette (Arcadia Energetics)- \$1,546

Joe Thielen (Richland Hot Shots)-\$1,057

Brent Thielen (Richland Hot Shots)- \$1,057

Emma Branning (Halbur Community)-\$1,016

**They will all be receiving \$50. Thanks again for all your hard work!**



## Cancelled and Postponed Events

- Livestock Workshop Postponed. Date TBD
- Livestock ID & Help Night– cancelled
- Sheep/Goat Weigh in– cancelled
- Camp WILD– cancelled
- Youth Conference– cancelled

## YQCA Training Updates

YQCA is offering a “Flash Sale” for the web-based training from April 1 – April 30, 2020. During the month of April, staff or families can go to the Iowa 4-H YQCA website, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/yqca>, and print off the coupon order form for a \$3 discount. This will purchase the \$12/person online web-based training for a reduced rate of \$9/person. The coupon order form must be filled out and mailed in with a check payment – this offer will not allow the use of a credit card payment. YQCA will then issue the coupon code to purchase the online course. Steps are listed in the documents on the YQCA website. **ALL** youth grades 4-12 exhibiting any animals (beef, sheep, goat, poultry, rabbit or swine) at the Carroll County Fair **MUST** be certified in the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program. You can access the training by visiting [www.yqca.org](http://www.yqca.org) and login using your 4-H Online credentials. The cost of the training is \$12 and will be good for one year. **PLEASE SUPPLY THE EXTENSION OFFICE WITH A COPY OF THE COMPLETED CERTIFICATE. This can be a photo of the confirmation page, a hard paper copy, etc.**



## Important Swine Updates

If you did not attend our Swine Weigh in on March 14, please email Kelsey to purchase your swine tags. If you need a tagger, we can loan one out to you. Additionally this year, ALL swine need to have their ear notches reported in 4H online. Please be sure to mark these down when tagging your animals. All swine need an official USDA tag (county), and if you want to identify that same pig for State Fair, a DNA punch (tag) is also required. Additionally, swine DNA samples for State Fair exhibitors are to be sent to the 4H office in Ames. We at the Extension Office can mail your tag for you, or supply you with the envelope and address to mail it yourself.

## Important Sheep & Goat Updates

Our original Sheep/Goat weigh in was scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup>, however, due to University directive, we are not allowed to have any events between now and May 30, 2020. **Our Sheep and Goat weigh in has been cancelled.** Sheep and Goat exhibitors will need to do their own tagging. Tags and Taggers are available at the extension office. We will work with you to get you those supplies to do the tagging on your own. I will make myself available to either meet you at the Extension office or drop off supplies at your farm. Exhibitors are also asked to take photos of your animals in addition to tagging them. This photo needs to show the tag in the animal’s ear to prove that it, in fact, is tagged. Due to these changes, **we will NOT have a rate of gain contest for Sheep/Goats for the fair this year.** If you are planning on showing at the STATE FAIR, myself and our Superintendents will coordinate with families and exhibitors to do the Retinal Imaging at a different date and time. Please email or call Kelsey to plan a time to do retinal imaging if you are planning on showing at the **STATE FAIR ONLY.**



## Bucket/Bottle Animal Sales

Please contact the Extension Office if you are interested in either purchasing or selling a Bucket/Bottle animal for the fair this year. We have a number of families interested in purchasing animals to show this year, and would like to help connect buyers and sellers. We have several bucket/bottle calves available for purchase right now.



## Breeding Heifer Tagging Event

**Saturday, May 16 11am-12pm**

**Carroll County Fairgrounds, Coon Rapids**

Per state regulations, Breeding heifers must be identified by a tattoo. In addition to a tattoo, breeding heifers must also have a secondary form of identification, either a registration number, calfhood vaccination number, or an official Iowa 4-H ear tag. Take care of that requirement at this event to ensure you are ready for fair!

## Livestock ID Forms Due

ID forms for dairy goats, dogs, swine, breeding beef (breeding heifers, cow/calf and feeder calves) and poultry are **due on 4-H Online by June 1**. All livestock that may want to participate in the Iowa State Fair need to be in 4-H Online even if we do not require it for the Carroll County fair. No information can be accepted after June 1st. A help sheet is available on our website and at our office. Please reach out to us at the Extension office if you have any questions regarding this.

## Animal Science Roundup

Applications are now being accepted for the Animal Science Roundup. Applications are due Wednesday, April 15 and participants will be notified by Friday, May 1, of their acceptance. Roundup information and promotional materials are available on the Iowa 4-H Animal Science Roundup webpage. If selected to participate in the conference, we have local sponsors available to cover the registration cost.



## Bucket Bottle Calf, Lamb, and Goat IDs and Pre-Entry

Bucket Bottle Animal Identification and Pre-Entry forms are **due to the Extension Office by June 1**. The forms are available at the Extension Office and on our website.

Bucket Calf: You can ID up to 3 calves and show as many as 2 calves at the fair. Calves must be born between February 1 and May 31 and be in your possession by two weeks of age and by June 1.

Bucket Lambs and Goats: You may identify and show up to 3 lambs or 3 goats at the fair. Lambs and goats must be born between March 15 and May 31 and be in your possession by two weeks of age and by June 1.



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