



CARROLL COUNTY 4H NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates to Remember

- June 1** Breeding Beef (breeding heifer, cow/calf pair and feeder calves), Dog, Poultry and Swine ID's due in 4-H Online
- June 1 Bucket Bottle ID and Pre-Entry Due to Extension Office
- June 1 Clothing and Communication Pre-Entry Due to Extension Office
- June 20 Rabbit Tattooing 9-10am, Graham Park Gazebo/Shelter House, Carroll
- June 25 Prefair Leader's meeting 6pm, Extension Office
- June 29 Clothing Judging and Communication events at Extension Office
- July 1 ALL Livestock Pre Entries due to Extension Office
- July 14-19 Carroll County Fair

IMPORTANT STATIC EXHIBIT UPDATES

ALL MEMBERS WILL BE LIMITED TO 3 STATIC EXHIBITS FOR OUR 2020 FAIR. Our Table Setting event for 2020 has been cancelled, we will continue it in 2021. Our Communication Events have been pushed back to June 29 and will take place at the Extension Office with our Clothing Judging Events. Communication will take place in the morning, Clothing in the afternoon. Members are limited to 1 communication event and 1 poster. Members are also limited to 1 clothing event. Members will sign up for a time slot to present their exhibits and leave promptly following their presentations. The communication and Clothing Judging events will be live streamed.

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.**



Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations to our Carroll County 4H Graduates:

Grant Behrens– Manning Win or Grin
Grant Borkowski– Richland Hotshots
Alexis Branning– Manning Win or Grin
Jared Free– Richland Hotshots
Ethan Irlbeck—Halbur Community
Taliya Kock—Carroll Champs
Nathan Kroeger—Carroll Champs
Kamryn Leslie– Manning Win or Grin
Grace Reising—Carroll Clovers
Madison Schultes– Mighty Clovers

Clothing and Communication Events Updates

Clothing and Communication Pre-Entries are due to the Extension Office by June 1st. We will not be having a Table Setting Event this year. Our Communication event has been moved to June 29 and will take place at the Extension Office. Our Communication events will take place in the morning, Clothing in the afternoon.

Tall Corn Contest

Please call or email Kelsey to get your seeds to participate in the Tall Corn Contest! Grab your seeds and watch them grow! Bring your corn stalk to the fair for a chance to win a monetary prize!



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.

Cancelled and Postponed Events

- **Camp WILD– cancelled**
- **Youth Conference– cancelled**



Important Sheep & Goat Updates

Our original Sheep/Goat weigh in was scheduled for May 2nd, however, due to University directive, **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.** Due to the COVID-19 situation and its effect on the collection of retinal images, the Iowa 4-H Program in cooperation and approval from the Iowa State Fair Board has decided to **forego the retinal imaging requirement for sheep and meat goats for this upcoming Iowa State Fair 4-H show.**

4-H sheep and meat goats (both breeding and market animals) will be required to upload 3 (three) photos into 4-H Online **by the June 1 ID deadline.** 4-H Online has been updated with photo upload fields.

The three (3) photos must include one of each of the following:

- *Clear, readable picture of the 4-H/USDA tag in the animal's ear
- *Left, full side view of the animal
- *Right, full side view of the animal

All other required fields in 4-H Online will still be needed for identification purposes (i.e. tattoo numbers, birthdates, etc. as needed for the particular species). If circumstances change in the future, this policy may be re-visited depending on the situation and any feasibility of collecting images. We would like to stay consistent and treat all animals (sheep and meat goats) fairly in this regard.



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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.



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.

YQCA Training –REMINDER

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 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.**

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 July 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 15.

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 15.



2020 Poster Communication Themes

The themes for “Communication Through 4-H Posters” this year are:

- ◆ 4-H is...(open to 4-Her’s interpretation)
- ◆ Join 4-H
- ◆ 4-H Grows...(4-H.org national marketing theme)
- ◆ Strive for Gold (2020 Iowa 4-H Youth Conference Theme)
- ◆ Nothing Compares to 4-H Favorites (variation of Iowa State Fair Theme)

Posters are a fun way to promote 4-H and use your creative side. Posters should be a minimum of 14”x20” or maximum of 15”x22”.



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