



# JASPER COUNTY 4-H MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## Important Dates

- MARCH 6 –COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI CO EVENT
- MARCH 22–FSQA
- APRIL 9 – JR FUN NIGHT
- APRIL 14 – SPRING LEADER’S MEETING
- APRIL 24 – SWINE I.D.
- MAY 1 – SHEEP I.D.
- MAY 15 – LIVESTOCK I.D. FORMS DUE IN 4H ONLINE & JASPER CO. FAIR ENTRY FROM DUE TO THE EXT OFFICE
- JUNE 7 – 8 INTERMEDIATE TRIP TO MINNEAPOLIS
- JUNE 28 – JUNE 30 – STATE YOUTH CONFERENCE
- JULY 1 – JASPER COUNTY ENTRIES DUE FOR COMMUNICATION AND CLOTHING EVENT & STATE FAIR ENTRIES DUE FOR 4-H
- JULY 13 – STATIC EXHIBITS DUE IN 4HONLINE
- JULY 15 - 21 – JASPER COUNTY FAIR
- AUGUST 11 - 21– IOWA STATE FAIR

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## Fair Theme- Sew It. Grow It. Show It

This year’s 2016 Jasper County Fair Theme is “Sew It, Grow It, Show It” This should prove to be a fun theme to build parade floats around and come up with display decorations for.



## MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND

Thank you to everyone who participated in the MFTH Event. We packaged **29,592** meals this year! Nine out of thirteen community clubs spent the afternoon packaging food. This is the fourth year for the event, and to date we have packaged **90,720** meals for people who don’t have enough to eat in our communities, our country, & our world. Way to go 4-H’ers, Leaders, & 4-H Families! 😊



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
 University Extension

## DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 4-H Dodgeball Tournament! It looked like a fun time was had by all. 😊 Congratulations to this year's champions, The World Changers! We raised over \$50 for MFTH from concession stand sales. Next year we may add a prize for best uniform or shirt design.

## THE 2016 4-H DODGEBALL CHAMPIONS

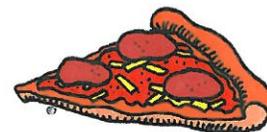


## STATE 4-H YOUTH CONFERENCE

Youth Conference dates have been set for June 28<sup>th</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is "Dive to New Depths." This is a great opportunity to experience college life, attend fun events including dances and a formal banquet, as well as informative workshops. This event is free for Jasper County 4-H'ers. For more information please contact Stacey at [wilsonsl@iastate.edu](mailto:wilsonsl@iastate.edu) or log into [www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa4hyouthconference) Please register as soon as possible so that you get your first choice of workshops and so we know how many chaperones to line up. 😊

## JUNIOR 4-H FUN NIGHT

County Council is hosting a Junior 4-H Fun Night, Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm to 11:30 pm, at the YMCA in Newton. (This is no longer an all-night event.) You may bring a non 4-H friend, however, each 4-H member and friend will need to fill out a registration form and return it to the Extension Office by March 18<sup>th</sup>. Forms will be mailed out to all 4-H'ers in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. If you need extra forms, they will be on our web-site at [www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/jasper).



4-H EMPOWERS YOUTH TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL WORKING  
AND LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CARING ADULTS

## IOWA STATE FAIR LITTLE HANDS ON THE FARM

The Iowa State Fair would like to invite 4-H Clubs to help staff their Little Hands on the Farm Display during the 2015 Iowa State Fair. You would need to staff one of the three shifts during an assigned day. Volunteers would receive one admission ticket, one vehicle permit and a Little Hands on the Farm T-Shirt. Shifts are filling up quickly so if you are interested in this opportunity, contact Emily Wynn at 515-401-1544 or [ebrewer@iowastatefair.org](mailto:ebrewer@iowastatefair.org).

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### FUN NEW CLASS AT THE FAIR “LITTLE SQUEALERS PIG SHOW”

- Open to any 3 year old through 3<sup>rd</sup> grader
- Participants must be signed up and pay a \$5 registration fee at the Jasper County Extension & Outreach Office by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The Little Squealers Pig show will be held immediately following the conclusion of the 4-H/FFA Swine Showmanship.
- Pigs will be furnished for this show by 4-H/FFA pigs already on the fairgrounds. **DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN PIG TO THE FAIRGROUNDS.**
- Exhibitors will be judged on their basic showmanship skills and be interviewed by the judge.
- Classes will be divided as needed by the age of the exhibitor.
- Exhibitors must wear jeans and closed toe shoes while in the show ring and a parent or guardian must be present at the time of the show.

**Contact Chelsey Branderhorst or Bre Branderhorst with questions.**



### SWINE VERIFICATION

Swine Verification will be Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00 pm this year. It will be held at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax. All swine exhibiting at the County Fair & 4-H swine that will be exhibiting at the State fair will need a tag. Cost per county fair ear tag is \$2.00 and for state fair DNA tags the cost is \$8.00 per tag. Maximum weight for pigs is 125 lbs at tag in on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW DERBY SWINE CLASS-** Derby Pigs must be weighed at the county fair verification on April 24<sup>th</sup>. The maximum weigh in weight is 125 lbs. – Derby Pigs are shown based on average daily gain as well as physical production traits. – After weigh-in at county fair, each exhibitor may declare a maximum of two pigs to be shown in the derby class. Each pig may only be shown in one division (Market, Commercial Gilt, or Derby). The derby champion & reserve champion will not show for overall champion.

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## OUR VISION

A WORLD IN WHICH YOUTH AND ADULTS LEARN, GROW, AND WORK TOGETHER AS CATALYSTS FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

## INTERMEDIATE TRIP TO MINNEAPOLIS -

**Central Iowa 4-H Intermediate Trip: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Discover the Twin Cities** - Make plans to join the fun in discovering some great places around Minneapolis and St. Paul, June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. You will meet 4-H'ers from other counties in Central Iowa. The places you'll be visiting are:

- Cabela's
- Minnesota Zoo
- Mall of America
- Rainforest Café
- Tour of Target Field Ballpark
- Minneapolis Sculpture Garden
- Valley Fair Amusement Park

Think of all the project areas and life skills that are related to the trip: animal science, science and technology, history, money management, consumer product selection, food and nutrition, responsibility, citizenship, social skills and of course, LOTS OF FUN! Consider doing a fair exhibit related to your experiences.

**Registration deadline is April 30.** Trip cost is \$175.00 this covers all attractions, hotel, transportation and some meals. Jasper County 4-H'ers will be reimbursed approximately ½ of the trip cost following the trip making the cost of the trip **\$87.50**.

Be watching your mail for a registration and code of conduct form. Return it along with your payment **ASAP** if you are interested in the wonderful opportunity. Space fills up quickly and each county is initially allotted 6 spots. Mail to the Jasper County Extension & Outreach office at 550 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W, Newton, IA 50208



## SUMMER INTERN POSITION

ISU Extension & Outreach, Jasper County, has a Summer Intern position open (part-time, 20 – 25 hours per week). This position is working with 4-H staff planning and hosting summer day camps and Jasper County Fair activities. Candidates must be out of high school for at least one year. Applications can be found on our website at [www.extension.iastate/jasper](http://www.extension.iastate/jasper) or at the Extension & Outreach Office located in DMACC in Newton. Applications are due April 18<sup>th</sup>.

## 4-H PLEDGE

I PLEDGE MY HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING, MY HEART TO GREATER LOYALTY, MY HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE, AND MY HEALTH TO BETTER LIVING, FOR MY CLUB, MY COMMUNITY, MY COUNTRY, AND MY WORLD.

# WHAT IS DUE WHEN FOR THE JASPER COUNTY FAIR

As a reminder to 4-H'ers and to inform new families the following guideline will be in every newsletter from here on out (providing there is room). If entries are late they are brought before a committee and the decision is made as if the 4-H'er will be allowed to exhibit. We hate to keep anyone from showing at the fair however; it's not fair to those who get their entries in correctly and on time. Hopefully, this will help, and remember... If in doubt ASK!

**May 15** – Identify all animals in 4hOnline this includes Breeding Beef, Bottle Calves, Dairy Cattle, Dairy & Meat Goats, Dogs, Horses, Llamas, Sheep, & Swine, Rabbits, Cats, & Poultry (Market Beef are done in Dec/Jan following weigh in.)

**May 15-** County Fair Entry Process – Big changes are coming for this process, be watching future newsletters and email for more information.

**July 1-** Entries for Communications- Working Exhibits, Share the Fun, Extemporaneous Speaking, & Educational Presentations. Clothing Selection and Fashion Review Entries are also do July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**July 1-** STATE FAIR ENTRY FORM DUE

**July 13-** 4-H Building Exhibits Entries Due (this also will be a new process)

**Again this year, ALL paper work needs to be complete when you bring your projects to the fair. We will no longer have forms, goal sheets, and tags available in the 4-H building.**

## Iowa State Fair 4-H Livestock Rule Changes/Updates

4-H Livestock Homepage: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/livestock>

Refer to 4-H 202 document: Iowa 4-H Livestock Show Requirements

4hOnline Animal Type Changes:

**Bucket/Bottle ANIMAL** – replaces Bucket/Bottle Calf - Select (calf, lamb, goat) when identifying

**Market Beef** – added a birthdate field (heifers only, this is the same as last year)

**DOG** – ability to upload rabies certificate

### **HORSE**

4-H 511C Rule Book – for ALL horse shows in Iowa. These rules pertain to county fair 4-H shows.

New This Year- Increase from 2 to 3 horses entered per exhibitor

Max of 6 classes per exhibitor

### **MEAT GOATS**

All Iowa State Fair Meat Goats are required to have retinal images taken.

Breeding Does- 4-H Ear Tag or Tattoo

Market Meat Goats- both does and wethers are eligible, shown together

From 4 to 6 total head eligible for entry (no more than 4 market or 4 breeding) per exhibitor

Rubber Mats – “layer of bedding underneath required”

Breeding Doe Class Adjustments – Be sure to check out the class adjustments on the State 4-H Livestock Page

### **SHEEP**

Again for 2016- ALL STATE FAIR SHEEP MUST HAVE A 4-H TAG AND RETINAL IMAGES

If there are no images, they are not eligible for state fair.

### **SWINE**

Again for 2016: ALL swine need a tag for show.

## FSQA – FOOD SAFETY QUALITY ASSURANCE – REQUIRED TRAINING FOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

FSQA TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR ANY YOUTH PLANNING TO SHOW RABBITS, POULTRY, DAIRY, GOATS, BEEF, SWINE, & SHEEP (BOTH MARKET AND BREEDING CLASSES) AT THE JASPER COUNTY OR IOWA STATE FAIR.

FSQA Training for Jasper County 4-H and FFA Members will be held on Tuesday, March 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at DMACC in Newton. Tests will be available for those in 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade who wish to test out. Those who test will be done at proximately 7:00 pm and can leave then. **You will also be able to test at the Extension & Outreach Office on 4/6 from 4:40 to 9:00 pm.**

- Youth in grades 4 – 6, on January 1 must attend a training each year.
- Youth in grades 7, 8, & 9 on January 1 may attend training each year or take a test. Youth passing the test will then be certified until they enter 10<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Youth in grades 10, 11, & 12 on January 1 may attend the training each year or take the test. We strongly encourage these youth to test out because they will then be certified until the age of 20.

If you need to know if your certificate is valid for this year, you can check your 4hOnline acct. If you need a manual to study for the test, they are on the State 4-H Livestock page. If you have any questions please call me (Stacey) at the Extension & Outreach Office at 641 792 6433. Also call the Extension & Outreach Office to register for this class by March 21<sup>st</sup>.

If this date does not work for you, & you are a Jr. 4-H'er, you will need to make arrangements to take the training at a neighboring county. We can help you with that.

## RABBIT WORKSHOP

### HOP 2 IT

Jasper Co 4-H Rabbit Workshop  
When: Sunday, April 3rd from 1 – 3 pm  
Where: 4-H Building at the Jasper County Fairgrounds (Colfax)

We'll discuss and demonstrate some basics on handling and showmanship – great information for fair. Join us if you're new to the rabbit project or an experienced member. All are welcome! Bring your rabbit for a hands on workshop!\*

\*Watch your email for more details.



Please RSVP to Chandra Weinacht or Stacey Wilson by Wednesday, March 30th.  
Chandra: [weinachtc@gmail.com](mailto:weinachtc@gmail.com)  
Stacey: [wilsonsl@iastate.edu](mailto:wilsonsl@iastate.edu)

## SHEEP & MEAT GOAT WEIGH IN (new time and day)

The Jasper County Sheep & Meat Goat Verification will be Sunday, May 1 from 2 to 4 pm.

State fair sheep verification – ALL market ewes, wethers, commercial breeding, and purebred breeding sheep that you might want to show at the Iowa State Fair must be tagged with a 4-H tag and have retinal images taken. The cost for this is \$5.00.

If you plan to exhibit only at the county fair, the cost will be \$2.00 per tag.

If you plan to exhibit at AK-SAR-BEN there is an additional charge of \$5.00

\*\*\*\*All State & County Fair Animals MUST be ID'ed in 4hOnline by May 15<sup>th</sup>\*\*\*\*

**Market Lambs-** need weighed in, 4-H tags, and retinal scans for State Fair. For County Fair they just need 4-H tags.

**Commercial Ewes and Purebred Ewes-** need weighed in, 4-H tags, and retinal scans for State Fair. Commercial Ewes will need a tag if showing County Fair only, Purebred Ewes will not need a 4-H tag if showing County Fair only and do not need to attend verification.

**Purebred Rams** – Scrapie Tag & registration papers at Fair.

**Wether/Sire-** (not purebred) Scrapie Tag. All ewes (purebred and market) need scrapie tags.

### MEAT GOATS-

**ALL COUNTY FAIR ONLY MARKET MEAT GOATS (DOES & WETHERS)** - will need to have a 4-H tag and be weighed in at verification.

**STATE FAIR MARKET MEAT GOATS (DOES & WETHERS)** – Need to be tagged, weighed in, and have a retinal image taken at verification.

**ALL COUNTY FAIR ONLY BREEDING DOES-** Need a 4-H tag at verification.

## JASPER COUNTY FAIR ROUND-UP

**STATE FAIR BREEDING DOES-** Need a 4-H tag and a retinal image taken at verification.

SAVE THE DATE for June 25<sup>th</sup> and join us at the Jasper County Fairgrounds for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo. Our Round Up will include food vendors for a taste of the fair, bounce houses and pony rides for the kids, an arts and crafts show for moms and dads, and much more!

This year's excitement begins with the Annual Barnyard Baby Contest, including new contests for the Jasper County Fair Jr. Princess (ages 6-8) and the Jr. Queen (ages 9-11). The Royal Coronations continue with the crowning of the 2016 Jasper County Fair Queen.

We cap off the Round Up with the Inaugural IRA/IRCA Rodeo starting at 7PM. That's right, a full blown, all on, Iowa Rodeo, for the whole family! Bulls, Broncs, Barrels and more!

A Round Up of events, all geared to get you excited about the Jasper County Fair. Join us June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Colfax for the Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo.

## CANINE CONNECTION

Follow us on Facebook, [\*Jasper County Fair Round Up and Rodeo\*](#), and check out our website, [www.jaspercofair.com](http://www.jaspercofair.com), for the most current details and announcements.

The Canine Connection Club will be having an informational meeting at the Extension & Outreach Office on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. They will be discussing times and days that work best for outdoor meetings, topics of meetings, etc. If you are interested in learning how to exhibit your dog at the fair, please plan to attend.

## T-SHIRT DESIGN COMPETITION-

We are looking for fashion designers, creative thinkers, artistic people, or pretty much anyone who would like to submit a Jasper County 4-H t-shirt design for this year's county fair. This could be done as a 4-H member or it could be a club effort. The theme is "Sew It, Grow It, Show It," so your design could be based upon that theme, but wouldn't necessarily have to be. Fair shirts should be Green, White, Black, or Gray, and should have the 4-H Clover on them. If you need guidelines for using the 4-H Emblem (Clover) please let me (Stacey) know and I will send them to you. If your design is chosen your club will receive a check for \$50.

## MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND PICS (look for more photos on our Jasper County 4-H FB Page)



# 4-H Experience Agronomy Event

## Iowa State University Agronomy Club

You are invited to attend an interactive day full of learning about different aspects of agronomy including weeds, seeds, plants, and weather.

4-H leaders: bring the whole club!

**Who:** All Iowa 4-Hers grades 4-8 are invited as well as parents/4-H leaders

**Where:** Iowa State University, Ames IA, Agronomy Hall

Parking provided

**When:** Saturday April 9, 2016 9:00-1:15 Check-in beginning at 8:30 AM

**Cost:** \$8 per 4-Her. Includes meal and a t-shirt. A free will donation is suggested for parents/leaders/guests who wish to eat lunch as well. Parents/leaders/guests do not need to pre register.

**Registration:** Opens **March 5** and closes on **April 1, 2016**. Takes place on line through the link below. Please select the 4-H Experience Agronomy Event and complete the required fields. Payment is to be submitted online.

<https://market-stuorg.sws.iastate.edu/>

Questions? Email Emily Putze at [erputze@iastate.edu](mailto:erputze@iastate.edu)



Marion County Cattlemen present

# THE RED ROCK CLASSIC

## AN IJBBA SANCTIONED SHOW

### SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2016

### MARION COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, KNOXVILLE, IA

#### Show Schedule

8-10:00 AM - Check-in  
11:00 - Showmanship  
12:00 - Show begins

#### Judge

Tyler Krug

#### Important Information

Breed & health papers required at check-in.  
Pre-entries must be accompanied with money.  
Pre-entry fee: \$25/hd.  
Show-day entry fee: \$35/hd.

#### Prizes

Prizes for class winners.  
Awards for breed winners.  
\$200 for overall grand champion.  
T-shirt for all exhibitors.

For more information, contact:

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**Casey Gerhardt**

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Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ B/D: \_\_\_\_\_

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Market Heifers: (# head) \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Pre-entry form  
with money to:  
Justine Stevenson  
1539 80th Ave,  
Knoxville, IA 50138

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY SATURDAY, MAY 1 TO BE CONSIDERED A PRE-ENTRY!

*Make checks payable to Marion County Cattlemen.*

## 2016 Share-A-Kid Contest Entry Form

Each year, the Iowa Dairy Goat Association promotes interest in dairy goats in our state. One of the ways we encourage our young people in this aspect of agriculture is through our Share-A-Kid program.

Winning applicants are selected from the essays they send in. This statewide contest is open to those between the ages of 10 and 17 years of age, and who are a member of IDGA, 4-H, FFA, or other agricultural groups. We can only award one goat per family per year; however, siblings are encouraged to apply.

The entry form, as seen below, must accompany the essay. Be sure to complete the form with all required signatures. Within the first year, winners are required to show their animal at a county fair or open class goat show, submit regular health updates to their assigned mentor/donor, and write a brief article for the IDGA newsletter, Last'N News, about their doeling. If within one year of receiving their goat, the winner finds that they cannot keep their doeling, the donating party is to be contacted concerning the goat's future. Winners are not required to give a doe kid back to the program, but are encouraged to do so.

The essay of 100 words or more, should tell why the applicant would like to have a dairy goat, how they are going to take care of her (food, shelter, and medical care), if they have ever raised a goat before and if not, who will help them, why they love goats, and what they love about goats. Spelling and content count. The essay can include drawings, photos, or any other special thing you would like to send in. No essays will be returned, and if your essay is selected, it will be given to the donor, so be sure to keep a copy for yourself. Everyone will be notified by late April about the status of his or her entry. Questions? E-mail Guinevere McIntyre at [jasperfarm@live.com](mailto:jasperfarm@live.com).

Please attach this entry form to your essay. Entries will be accepted postmarked from January 1st to March 15. Please mail your entry to:

Guinevere McIntyre 8499 Hwy T-38N Grinnell, IA 50112

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Breed 1st Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed 2nd Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Project Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Project Leader Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_