



4-H IGNITES SMILES

Jones County 4-H Newsletter
May 2020

WE ARE OPEN

JUST NOT FOR WALK-INS

Still Serving You Through COVID-19

We continue to think of our Jones County 4-H members, families and volunteers during these extraordinary times.

To date, we have been notified by our state office that we are to cancel/postpone/hold virtually any Extension events until June 1. We will continue communication with you about learning opportunities, as well as the current status of events.

Our office is closed to the public, but Shawnee and Jennifer will be in the office daily from 8:30-11:30 a.m. to answer phones or get things ready for you to pick up, if needed. Our door is still going to be locked, so please call and let us know if you are coming. Otherwise, we will be working remotely and will be available via email or Jennifer's cell - 319-213-5484.

4-H Event Status Updates

Canceled Events:

- Dog Workshops (5/5, 5/11, 5/27)
- Rabbit Workshop (5/18)
- FairEntry Help Night (5/28)
- Junior 4-H Camp (6/8-6/11)
- Junior Adventure Camp (6/12-6/13)
- Iowa 4-H Youth Conference & Animal Roundup

Holding Virtually:

- Horse Workshops (5/6, 5/9, 5/20, 5/23 - will be supplemented with electronic information)
- Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting (5/7)
- Brunch Club Meeting (5/24)
- County 4-H County Meeting (5/24)

Postponed:

- Pet Workshop (new date TBD)
- Clothing Event (new date: 6/20 @ 1pm)
- Communications Event (new date: 6/20 @ 2pm)

Leaders - Virtual Mtg. May 7th

Our Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting will be held Thursday, May 7, at 6 p.m. We will do this meeting virtually, so check your email for the link. We will work with each club to get your packet of fair materials to you.



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Devan, Jordan and Hayden Cress are excited to announce the arrival of Bowen Jacob Cress!

Bowen was born on April 4th at 5:32 pm! He weighed-in at 7lbs 5oz and 19 inches long! Everyone is doing well and we wish the family all the best. Congratulations!!



Swine, Sheep & Goat Weigh-Ins Canceled

The state 4-H office has announced all weigh-ins must be canceled due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns. Due to the canceling of weigh-ins, our swine, sheep and goat shows will have no rate of gain (derby) classes at the 2020 Great Jones County Fair.

Information about new tagging and identification procedures are being sent to members enrolled in these project areas. Information is also posted on our website.

All sheep, goat and swine identification information is due to the Extension office by May 15th, so we can get it entered in order for your verification to be completed by the June 1 deadline.

CANCELLED



Food Safety – Animal Well Being – Character

YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) certifications are **due by July 1, 2020** for those 4-H & FFA exhibitors wanting to show the following livestock species at the Great Jones County Fair or the Iowa State Fair.

- Pigs
- Sheep
- Goats
- Poultry
- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Market Rabbits

You can take the YQCA training two ways:

1) ELECTRONIC

Take YQCA online any time before July 1. Online training costs \$12 annually per youth. To do so, make an account or log on using your 4hOnline information here: <http://yqca.org/>.

2) FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING

Devan is certified to lead face-to-face trainings for all age levels. She has one date/location remaining for 2020 in-person trainings. Face-to-face training is only \$3 annually per youth! Check out the Facebook event for details and online registration instructions.

**- Monday, June 15, 2020
1-2:30 p.m. @ Anamosa High School**

Iowa 4-H Project Area Hotsheet Highlight

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Have fun learning how to design your space while being kind to the environment. If you are interested in creating a new color scheme, selecting new accessories for a room, or installing a new floor or window covers, this is the project for you.



Check out this project area hotsheet directly by visiting: <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/15282>

Or, take a look at ALL the project area hotsheets to learn more about project area learning ideas, career connections, goal setting, record keeping and more at: <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/Topic/4-H-Youth-Development/Project-Hot-Sheets>



Fair & Event Deadline Breakdown

May 1

- Market Broiler Order Forms Due
- Season Exhibitor Pass Form Due (*Leaders*)

May 15

- 4hOnline Project Area Enrollment Deadline (Ex.: Swine, Beef, Photography, Visual Arts)
- Clothing Event Forms Due
- Communication Event Forms Due
- All sheep, goat and swine identification information (for cancelled weigh-ins) due to Extension office

June 1

- All Livestock Identifications Completed and Verified Via 4hOnline
- Animals Housed Off Home Farm Form Due
- Horse Lease Agreement Form Due
- Swine Premise ID Number Due

July 1

- Iowa State Fair Livestock & Horticulture Entries Due Via FairEntry
- YQCA Certif. (Online or In-Person) Deadline
- Report Forms Due for Bucket/Bottle, Cat and Other Animal
- Working Exhibit Report Forms Due
- Jones County 4-H/FFA Livestock & F.A.S.T. Entries Due Via FairEntry
- Copy of Dog Vaccinations Submitted

July 10

- Final Day to Pay Livestock Stalling Fees

Fair - Save the Date

The 2020 Great Jones County Fair is still scheduled for July 22-26, 2020!



Iowa State Extension and Outreach Jones County

Wild Wednesday Adventure Bags



Wild Wednesday Adventure Bags will be available for pick up — rain or shine! Pick up one of our adventure bags for your youth every Wednesday between 10-11:30 a.m. in both Monticello and Anamosa.

- > Anamosa location: Anamosa Library
- > Monticello location: ISU Extension & Outreach Office, Jones County

This is a no contact pickup. The bags are FREE and we want you to have some fun!!! Each bag contains enough materials for two youth.

These adventure bags are offered through a partnership with Jones County Ag in the Classroom run through Jones County Farm Bureau!

🍀 AT HOME LEARNING RESOURCES



Go on a learning adventure! Iowa 4-H is committed to serving Iowa youth and their families through research-based learning opportunities.

A collection of 4-H resources K-12 youth can use to explore topics of interest while at home is available on the Iowa 4-H website.

Go to the direct link for a huge list of vetted resources: www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/4h-at-home-learning-resources

Be sure to look at one of our favorites: www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa-4-h-and-nasa-iowa-space-grant-consortium-steam-academy



Horticulture Club Challenge Great Jones County Fair

This year, the Jones County Master Gardeners want to try a theme for the traditional club garden challenge (previously flower pots or pallet gardens).

This year's theme will be "What was old is new again." As your club begins planning, consider the below judging guidelines.

- The pot/container for the group's entry should be an old/found object, or it could include something old/primitive/antique within it as a decoration. Potential ideas could be a cast iron pot, an old wash basin, an old chicken waterer, etc.
- The groups should incorporate at least three different types of plants (could be types of flowers, vegetables, herbs, or a combination of the three).
- To fit with the theme, heirloom or heritage varieties would be a great choice (suggest looking at places like Seed Savers to find those types of seeds).
- To fit with the theme, Iowa native varieties would be also appropriate.



Market Broiler/Roaster Orders Due May 1

To participate in the 2020 Great Jones County Fair Market Broiler/Roaster Futurity/Pen of 3 Class as part of the 4-H/FFA Poultry Show, make sure you submit the order form for your chicks by **May 1**.

Visit www.extension.iastate.edu/jones/news/4-hffa-market-broiler-orders-due-may-1-2020 to download the order form and the full letter with details.

Cost is \$1.50 per bird, which includes the cost of banding.

Mandatory Poultry Workshop & Bird Banding - June 20, 2020

Pullorum testing for 2020 fairs has been waived until 2021 due to shortage of pullorum antigen (like last year).



During the morning on Saturday, June 20, we will hold MANDATORY bird banding/identification and mites/lice inspections. We will also hold a mandatory workshop this day mid-morning.

This is REQUIRED to show at the Great Jones County Fair. Contact jenfisch@iastate.edu if you cannot make this work or with questions.

You do NOT need to bring any broiler/roaster birds to this day; however, exhibitors must still attend the workshop.



Upcoming Events for 4-Hers and Families

Please contact the office with any questions you have regarding upcoming events and activities. Let us know if you would like more information on anything mentioned. We also welcome any ideas you have for future events! Check Facebook & our website for more upcoming dates.

5/1	Broiler Project Chick Orders Due
5/4	Nutrena Virtual Show Clinic (5:30-7:30 p.m.)
5/7	Pre-Fair Leaders Meeting (virtual)
5/15	Clothing Event Forms Due
5/15	Communication Event Forms Due
5/15	4hOnline Project Area Enrollments Due
5/24	Brunch Club Meeting, 4-5:30 p.m. (virtual)
5/24	County Council Meeting, 5-6 p.m. (virtual)
6/1	Animal Identification Deadline
6/2	Dog Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
6/3	Horse Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
6/10	Broiler/Roaster Chick Pickup
6/13	Horse Workshop, 8:30-10 a.m.
6/15	YQCA Face-to-Face Training, Anamosa HS, 2-2:30 p.m.
6/15	Dog Workshop, 6-7:30 p.m.
6/20	Mandatory Poultry Workshop & Mites/Lice Testing, morning
6/20	Clothing Event, 1 p.m.
6/20	Communication Event, 2 p.m.
6/25	Performance Beef Show
7/1	FairEntry deadline (county & state fair)
7/1	YQCA Certification Deadline
7/17	New Member Fair Orientation
7/20	F.A.S.T. Project Judging Day
7/21-7/26	Great Jones County Fair
8/13-8/23	Iowa State Fair

Clothing & Communications Event NEW DATE - Sunday, June 20!!

Clothing Event @ 1 p.m.

Communications Event @ 2 p.m.

Entry forms for these events are **due May 15, 2020**, and are available at www.extension.iastate.edu/jones/4h



THANK YOU to everyone who helped us meet our initial goal of 10,000 masks! We are very proud of the work and donations that are happening around the state, so we decided to set a NEW goal! We invite you to help us reach our NEW goal of 25,000 masks! We encourage you to create face masks, surgical caps or mask strap extensions.

Learn more: <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/iowa-4-h-creates-face-masks>



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Where We Live

{ History of the Land }

4TH-8TH GRADE DAY-CAMP SERIES

WHO 4th through 8th graders (grade completed)

COST FREE, thanks to a grant from Theisen's

WHERE Meetings will be held at the Jones County ISU Extension and Outreach Office, 800 N. Maple St., Monticello, IA 52310.

The final meeting will include a bus trip. We'll depart and return to the Extension office that day.

WHEN Registered youth should plan to attend all of the below sessions to avoid missing information.

Session #1 — Tuesday, June 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #2 — Tuesday, July 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #3 — Thursday, July 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #4 — Tuesday, Aug. 4, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Session #5 — Saturday, Sept. 19, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

SIGN UP To register for this 5-session day camp series, including our bus trip, you must **register no later than May 22**. Contact oswalds@iastate.edu or 319-465-3224 to sign up.

The Where We Live: History of the Land day-camp series connects the past to the present as youth learn about the history of Iowa's valuable natural resources through hands-on activities about rocks, prairies, grains, trees and animals.

This camp series will teach youth about food and land production through plants, animals, harvest, processing, distribution and marketing to the consumer. Learn about methods used to grow our food and protect our natural resources through soil conservation, water quality, pest management and animal care issues.



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