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To: All 4-H'ers, Families and Leaders

PLEASE READ THIS LETTER VERY CAREFULLY & KEEP IT SOMEWHERE HANDY. YOU MIGHT NEED TO REFER TO IT MORE THAN ONCE!

www.extension.iastate.edu/wapello **The Expo book and ALL forms are located here under 4-H and Youth tab then choose member info.**

2020 EXPO

The 2020 Wapello County Expo will take place as a non-traditional 4-H/FFA Expo July 12 – 18. The Expo will not be open to the public to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 with attendance on the grounds limited to those involved in the execution of 4-H/FFA events. 4-H Leaders, FFA Advisors, Board Members, Expo Judges, Iowa State University Extension Staff, and specified volunteers as well as all 4-H and FFA exhibitors and their immediate family (this would include parents and siblings). Any individuals who are currently experiencing symptoms or have been in recent contact with an individual showing symptoms of the coronavirus should not enter the grounds for any reason. It is recommended that volunteers, participants, staff, and families use face coverings and honor social distancing during all events. When you arrive at the grounds, everyone will be temperature checked in their vehicle before being able to proceed to the grounds. The animal project shows will be limited to your immediate household members to attend. You will be required to inform your club leader of the number of people you will have coming and which days you will be on the grounds. If you are not on the list – you will not be able to enter the grounds for that day. We will be live streaming each of the shows, so that grandparents, other family members and the public can still view each show.

EXPO SET-UP

We will be setting up beginning on **Saturday, July 11 at 8:00 a.m.** We will be setting up rabbit and chicken pens in the brown barn, weeding, set out trash cans, speaker system, hanging signs and banners, preparing the white/green building for royalty pageant, and misc. **Tuesday, July 14 after rabbit show** - We will be setting up the white & green barn animal areas: cattle, sheep and goat, swine pens, sawdust distribution, barricades, speaker system, set out trash cans. If you are able to help or have any questions, please check with a Superintendent or Expo Board member. Since we will need to monitor the number of volunteers during set up, we are requesting you let us know if you will be here to help.

EXPO KICK-OFF

Royalty pageant will be held on Sunday, July 12th beginning at 6:00 pm. We will recognize all graduating seniors, Hall of Fame recipient, and coronation of Lil Mr / Miss, Duke & Duchess, Prince & Princess, and King & Queen. Only immediate family (parents and siblings) of the participants will be allowed to attend. This event will be live streamed for the public.

HERDSMANSHIP

While you are at the Expo, please remember that you are a representative of 4-H as a whole. It is important for all of our areas to be clean, please verify when you check in where your waste should go. Please pick up after yourselves and your animals.

LIVESTOCK

- ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS MUST WEAR SHOW RING DRESS. If you are in doubt about what to wear, check your expo rulebook or call the Extension Office (682-5491).
- If you are **NOT** bringing livestock to the Expo, and you told your leader you were, please call the Extension Office (682-5491) to let them know you are not bringing the animals.
- **BEDDING:** The Expo Board will be providing ALL base bedding this year. *It is very important that we keep the “barn” very clean to help with the odor and to show how we care for our animals!*
- **LIVESTOCK WEIGH – IN**
 - All animals must be entered during the specified weigh-in / check-in times.
 - **Poultry – Sunday, July 12 at 8:00 pm**
 - **Rabbit – Monday, July 13 at 8:00 pm**
 - **Horse – Wednesday, July 15 at 7:00 am**
 - **Sheep / Goats – Wednesday, July 15 at 8:00 pm**
 - **Bucket Bottle interviews will be held at 8:00 am Thursday, July 16**
 - **Swine – Thursday, July 16 at 8:00 pm**
 - **Beef – Friday, July 17 at 8:00 pm**
 - **Any member with Bucket bottle calf only will check in at 7:00 pm as bucket bottle calf interviews will begin immediately upon arrival.**
 - **There will be no late arrivals or exceptions unless special arrangements have been made prior with the Expo Board.**
- **All animals are to be inspected by the veterinarian before weighing / during check-in to help with disease prevention. Horses will be inspected prior to the start of the horse show.**
- **Trailers:** Parking area for trailers will be on the southeast corner of the property between the grain bin and the green machine shed. Please sign in at the main office if you will be leaving / parking your trailer on site for the event.
- **Swine:** If you need them to go to Parks, please let us know at check-in. If the pigs do not go to Parks, you will have to fill out a release form.
- ***DOG PROJECT** – Dog obedience and agility will not be held during the expo this year. Please watch your email and Facebook for a future date for this event.
- **Pet & Cat Project** – Pet and cat show will be held on **Tuesday, July 14 @ 6:00 pm**. The show will be held outside in the brown barn. Please make sure your animal is leashed or confined so it cannot escape due to being outside. If you do not feel comfortable with your animal being outside or being able to keep it confined, you may want to consider not bringing it to Expo this year.

HORSES

- **ALL HORSE EXHIBITORS MUST WEAR A HELMET WHILE MOUNTED ON YOUR HORSE – THIS INCLUDES EXERCISE TIMES.**
- Please be respectful of others and keep your horses in the area around the arena. Do not ride your horses in that area and please help keep the area clean.

KITCHEN

- The kitchens inside the main building will be closed to the public

MAIN BUILDING

- The main building will be closed. Port-a-pots will be provided out by the barns, along with sanitizer and hand wash station.

FOOD STAND

- There will be no food stand this year. **Please bring your own food.**

RIBBON AUCTION

The ribbon auction sponsored by the Wapello County Expo Board has been **cancelled** for this 2020 Expo.

EXHIBIT BUILDING

- Judging begins at 8:00 am on Monday, July 13th. All 4-H youth 4th thru 12th projects must be delivered and checked into the office the week of **July 6-10** and no later than 4:30 pm July 10. (See below for Clover Kid judging information). You will need to call to schedule a delivery time with Cindy. Judging will begin at 8:00 am on Monday, July 13th. Judges will be evaluating from the project and paperwork only, and will provide feedback. Projects will be limited to 10 projects per 4-H member. Please make sure you use the new Entry form. Forms will be signed by the person checking in and the youth (or parent). Club leaders will be scheduling a time during Expo week for you to pick up your items. Entry forms will be signed by leaders and youth (or parent) at pick-up. Forms will remain at the Extension Office.
- **Clover Kid judging** will be held Monday, July 13 beginning at 1:00 pm (due to the poultry show in the morning). This will be a face to face judging with social distancing in place. Please call and schedule an appointment for your child to come in with their projects. Clover kids are limited to 10 projects each.
- Premiums will be paid out via check in the mail within 2 weeks after Expo.
- There are fewer rules in the Wapello Expo book this year. If you are not sure what the judges will be looking for when you present your exhibit for judging, look at the tip sheets on the web page. Forms are also located there.

CLOTHING EVENT AND COMMUNICATIONS PARTICIPANTS

If you wish to participate in either of these events, you must call the Extension Office (682-5491) to sign up for a time by July 3rd. You will receive an additional \$10 premium for each communications presentation that you do. Entry deadline for both events is July 3rd.

PLEASE let us know as soon as possible if you are **NOT** going to participate. This helps us with our scheduling. The judging for the clothing event will be held on Monday, July 13th on scheduled appointment times. Educational and Share the fun communications judging will be held on Tuesday, July 14th. Due to COVID-19 we will **not** be doing Working Exhibits this year.

*Communications presentations will be allowed 10 minutes for your presentation and 5 minutes to talk with the judge. We will provide time to sanitize between participants.

*Clothing participants will have 10 minutes with the judge and sanitizing between participants.

WOODWORKING WORKSHOP AT THE EXPO

Cancelled

STUFFED ANIMAL SHOW

Cancelled

CAMPING

Camping is open for reservation effective June 20. Reservations can be made by contacting Aimee Wells at 641-680-2533 or email wellshome@yahoo.com. Each camper or tent must register and pay at the main office upon arrival or before. Camping will be \$10 per night or \$50 for a non-electrical spot / \$75 for a spot with electric hookup for the week. Tents will be \$5 per night. There is also a “Long Term” reservation option – for more information, contact Aimee Wells. Campers may pull in starting on Saturday, July 11.

- * Please call to reserve your spot by July 10. If you do NOT make a reservation prior to July 10, location will be first come first serve basis.
- * Reserved locations will be marked.
- * There are a few electric & water hook-ups this year
- * Generators will be allowed – **no** generators may be operated before 7:00 am or after 10:00 pm
- * No excessive noise, which may disturb other campers, will be permitted.
- * No drainage water or sewage may be disposed on the surface of the grounds. If caught, you will be asked to leave the campgrounds and will not be permitted to return the following year. **THIS INCLUDES “GRAY WATER”.**
- * Campfires will be allowed. Campfires must be contained (fire ring, fire pit, etc.) If there is a complaint about smoke or a large fire, you will be asked to extinguish the fire. Please be considerate of your neighbors.
- * Anyone under 16 years of age must have adult supervision.
- * Any trash accumulated in the campground area needs to be taken with you and not left at the grounds.
- * If necessary, Only 1 vehicle will be allowed to park at the campsite.
- * If you wish to take advantage of our 10-year program, please contact Aimee Wells for more information.

PARKING

Vehicle parking will be in the West hayfield, trailer parking will be in the southeast corner of the property between the grain bin and green machine shed. If you will be leaving your trailer during the event, please sign in at the main office. Handi-capped parking will be available.

CLEANUP

- Animals will arrive the evening prior to the show. Animals will leave immediately after they show.
- **We need Everyone’s help with the cleanup of your specific project area and show.** Please pick up after yourself and take out all trash to make this process go more smoothly. Barns will be cleaned and sanitized after each show.

PREMIUM PAYOUT

- Payout will take place within 2 weeks following 2020 Expo. Checks will be mailed out.

VOLUNTEERS!

- We will need volunteers to make sure this runs smoothly. Please check with the office and / or the Expo Board to see where help is needed.

EXPO BOARD CONTACTS:

Larry Sample – President – 641-777-6263
Natalie Kopsieker – Vice President – 641-919-4447
Aimee Wells – Treasurer – 641-680-2533
Margaret Skinner – Secretary – 641-777-8260
Duane Bass – Member – 641-799-0657
Randy Conrad – Member – 641-777-4316
James Clubb – Member - 641-680-4568
Rich Damm – Member – 641-777-5028
Becky Davis-Dimmitt – Member – 641-777-3831
Cliff Duff – Member – 641-777-5135
Jeff Emery – Member – 641-777-5755
Eric Heisdorffer – Member – 641-799-1002
Becky Hellwig – Member – 641-799-1284
Janet Jacobs – Member – 641-777-5316
Natalie Kopsieker – Member – 641-919-4447
Tom Larkin – Member – 641-777-5817
Kevin McDaniel – Member – 641-226-4596
Darcy Hanna-McDaniel – Member – 641-226-4597
Lisa Richardson – Member – 641-799-9977
Rick Slaymaker – Member – 641-799-9310
Don Swanson – Member – 641-777-6649
Nikki Witt – Member – 641-344-3392

EXPO ANIMAL SUPERINTENDENTS:

BEEF

Kevin German – 641-799-8300
Rose Larkin – 641-777-6272
Ben Larkin – 641-777-9185

CAT/PET

McKenna Duff – 641-954-1375

DOG

Elaine Heisdorffer – 641-777-7448
Eric Heisdorffer – 641-799-1002

GOAT/SHEEP

Matt Anstey – 641-799-9699
Pam Anstey – 641-895-3807

HORSE

Mike Orman – 641-226-0950
Aaron Angle – 641-938-2111

POULTRY

Rob Goben – 641-680-4468

RABBIT

Lisa Akers – 641-680-7774
Albert Newman – 319-669-9273

SWINE

Larry Sample – 641-777-6263

We ask that you please be patient with us as we continue to grow in our new adventure at this location. Please follow all social distancing rules. Rules and regulations may be changed or added during this event to accommodate a fun and safe environment.

If you have any other questions or concerns or just want to volunteer, please call the Extension Office at 641-682-5491. See you at the Expo!

Sincerely,

Cindy Emery

4-H County Youth Coordinator

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