

AUGUST



Highlights:



August 4: State Fair Entry Forms due to Office



August 10: Events Council Meeting



September 22: Record Books due to Office

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Shawnee County 4-H *Chatterbox*

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Dates to Remember:

- August 4: State Fair Entry Forms due to Office
- August 12: State Horticulture Judging
- August 15: KJLS Entries Due
- August 17: Horse Hippology Practice
- August 19-20: State Livestock Sweepstakes

Please send Chatterbox submissions to Grace, Haley, & Lisa by August 26th

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A Word From Your Agent...

Happy August everyone! I hope you have all rested and recovered from the fair. I would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of our volunteers, superintendents, sponsors, and families for all of your hard work and dedication to make the fair happen!! So many people went above and beyond this year, and we really can't put on a fair without your help. It was a really wonderful fair, and I look forward to doing it again with you next year!

Since we have gratitude on our minds, make sure you are writing thank you notes! A handwritten note to a sponsor or volunteer goes a long way toward assuring that they continue to give to Shawnee County 4-H, as well as centers your mind around the larger picture of what all goes into making the fair happen. If you are unsure of who to write thank you notes to, please reach out to the extension office and we can point you in the right direction!

State fair entries are due to the extension office by 5 pm on August 4th. You can find the entry form under the current events tab on our home page: <https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/4-h/>. We will be taking your projects down to Hutchinson this year on Thursday, September 7th. All static exhibits should be dropped off at the office during business hours on September 5th or 6th, or between 7:40-8:00 am on the 7th. If you need to check if your project qualified, or need help with your entry form, please reach out!





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Livestock Corner

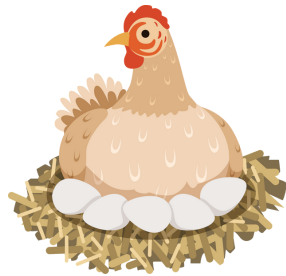


Important Dates

August 19-20th State 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes

September 8-17th Kansas State Fair

September 29 – October 1st Kansas Junior Livestock Show



School Enrichment is needing to restock the supply of egg cartons.

These cartons are used to transport the hatching eggs from the Nelson Hatchery to the schools for the Chicken Embryology Program.

Please bring your empty/used 12 count egg cartons to the office and let someone know they are for school enrichment. Every donation is greatly appreciated.



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County Notes

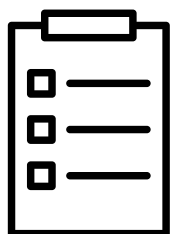
Exchange

Exchange is looking for new recruits for the 2024-2025 cycle. They are looking for 10-15 4-Her's who have an interest in learning about 4-H in another state and loves to travel. 4-Her's need to be 4-H age 14 – 19 to be able to host and travel. Applications are due September 15th to Karen Perkuhn, one of the chaperones. An e-mail from 4-H online will be sent out to all 4-Hers that are eligible with more information. Applications will also be available at the Office!

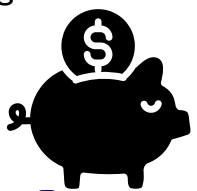
Record Book Tip of the Month!

Parts of a Record Book Part II

The longest part of a Record Book is the Project Report Forms section. This is where ALL the information about your project lives! From goals, to how much money you spent or made, to photos this section is long but filled with what you want people to know about your project! Finally, there are the local requirements, which may differ from county to county! Check with your Extension Office for what they are!



- 4. Project Report Forms (9 sections)
 - Project Goals
 - Project Presentations & Communications
 - Project Learning Experiences
 - Project Exhibits & Showcases
 - Project Leadership
 - Project Civic Engagement
 - Project Finances
 - Project Reflection
 - Project Photos



- 5. Other local requirements





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Shawnee County Youth Pitch Contest

Are you going to be in 7th-12th grader (2023-2024) and have a business idea? Sign up for the Shawnee County Youth Pitch learning sessions and contest! There are cash prizes for the top 5 pitches! Registration is due **August 4th!**

For more details: <https://www.shawnee.k-state.edu/commu.../Pitch%20Contest.pdf>

**RECORD BOOKS
ARE DUE
SEPTEMBER 22**

Binders are available at the office if you need one!



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State Events

Qualifying Shooting Sports Match Dates

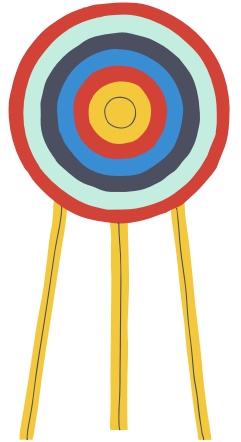
Archery

Johnson County: August 12; Lenexa, KS

Gray County: August 19; Cimarron, KS- Registration due by 4:30 pm August 14

Shotgun

Gray County: August 26; Cimarron, KS



Kansas State Fair

The Kansas State Fair is September 8-17, 2023! State Fair entry forms will be **due to our office August 4th**. Please reach out to the office if you have any questions!

48 Hours of 4-H 2023

We hope every Extension Unit will join us this fall in seeing just how much we can give back to our communities! The weekend after National 4-H Week, is the perfect opportunity to setup a service project. Invite your friends, clubs, adult volunteers and 4-H Alums too!

When: October 7-8, 2023

Who: 4-H Members, 4-H Clubs, Friends, Adult Volunteers, Parents, 4-H Alumni

It's time to make plans for your club to participate. More information on the 48 Hours of 4-H Webpage, <https://www.kansas4-h.org/events-activities/conferences-events/48-hours-of-4-h/>



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Club Chatter

Shawnee Riders

July was fantastic! Everyone brought their items and put together the haybale!



Bunny Bunch

In July the Bunny Bunch 4-H rabbit club participated in the Shawnee County Fair. Youth had the opportunity to judge rabbits, as well as participate in Breed ID, and Showmanship contests. This in addition to having their own rabbits judged led to a busy and fun weekend. Something else that our group tried was rabbit agility. Most, if not everybody, enjoyed it and had fun either watching or trying to get their rabbits, that have never done it before, to go over obstacles. The public also had the opportunity to pet some of our rabbits, as we talked to them about the different breeds.



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Riverside



Riverside 4-H was busy all month long with fair activities. The club met prior to the Fair to paint and decide on decorations for the hay bale and scarecrow entries. The club's hay bale received 3rd place and the scarecrow was 1st place. During the Fair the club participated in the Pancake Feed, helped in the Snack Shack and had a cow milking activity during Sunday Funday.

Reporter- Grayson Kuckelman

Silver Lake

This month, the Silver Lake 4-H Club went to the Fair and participated in several different activities. We also provided the piggy bank races for the Family Fun Day with prizes courtesy of Silver Lake Bank (big thank you to them). We worked the Snack Shack and Pancake Feed. Members entered a wide variety of exhibits, from fashion to Legos to foods to livestock and everything in between. What a fun month!

Respectfully submitted by Jaylee Hamilton,
 SL club reporter



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Shawnee County 4-H Calendar

August 2023

3 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7 pm
4 State Fair Entry Forms due to Office
5-6 4-H Open Horse Show
7 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
10 4-H Events Council, EMR, 7 pm
12 State Horticulture Judging, Manhattan
16 Livestock Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:30 pm
17 Horse Hippology Practice, EMR 6 pm
19-20 State Livestock Sweepstakes
24 Horse Club, EMR, 7 pm
26 Chatterbox Submissions Due
28 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
30 4-H Horse Clinic, Domer Arena

September 2023

2 Kansas State Fair Dog Show, Hutchinson
4 Office Closed
 Bunny Bunch Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
7 4-H Exchange, Farm Bureau Building, 7pm
8-17 Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
20 Livestock Committee, Conference Room, 7:30 pm
22 Record Books due to Office
25 Paw Prints Dog Club Meeting, EMR, 7 pm
26 Chatterbox Submissions Due
28 Horse Club, EMR, 7 pm
29-Oct. 1 Kansas Junior Livestock Show
29 End of 4-H Year

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All dates and activities are subject to change.