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One year ago, this letter to you was about how we were experiencing a great deal of change due to the pandemic and COVID restrictions. The only thing that hasn't changed, is that we're still experiencing alot of change.

We are seeing some "loosening" of strings and we are able to do a little more than we were doing a year ago. 4-H activities are beginning to open back up,

with caution and observation of COVID-19 mitigation plans. We have received approval for clubs to begin meeting in person again.

Camp is being planned for June and the District Horse Show is scheduled. Right now, we're moving forward with plans for the fair, but we don't know exactly what that looks like.

Cowley County 4-H is a part of a larger organization-

Kansas 4-H and K-State Research and Extension.

Because of this, we must observe some protocols that don't match our local precautions. We appreciate our volunteers and members' cooperation as we continue to navigate change.

— Kelsey Nordyke



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* * * ATTENTION - URGENT * * *

May 1st, 2021 is the last day to enroll in 4-H, have your enrollment fee paid, and add or drop projects to be eligible for the 2021 Cowley County Fair. If you are not enrolled in a project by May 1st, you will not be allowed to exhibit in that project area at the fair. Don't remember what projects you enrolled in? Log in to your family account on 4-H Online and click on the projects tab. All project add/drops must be completed online at v2.4honline.com Remember: It is not your club leader's responsibility to know which projects you are enrolled in.

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>

The Cowley County Extension Council Executive Board meets monthly and conducts the business of the Extension Office. The April meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 6th at 5:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Cowley County Courthouse, 311 E. 9th Ave., Winfield.

4-H Junior Leaders

Park Meet-Up, Island Park, Winfield Monday, April 19, 7 p.m.

Bring your own beverage and meet up with other 4-H junior leaders at an Island Park pavilion (exact building TBD). We'll be working on creating our Escape Room activities. A zoom connection will be available upon request.

Discovery Days

Kansas 4-H Discovery Days will be delivered virtually on June 1-4, 2021.

Preliminary Discovery Days schedule:

Tuesday, June 1st - All participants

- o Evening Welcome Kickoff and Keynote
- o 4-H Council Engagement
- Wednesday and Thursday, June 2nd and 3rd Cohort Groups
 - o Sessions organized into content related tracks
 - o 10-30 Youth per track
 - o Four, hour long sessions designed to engage and build upon a content area
 - o Utilizing hands on learning and flipped classroom options where some content can be available beforehand and sessions are used for engagement
 - o Sessions held between 9-5 each day
- · Friday, June 4th All Participants
 - o Morning Wrap-up and Cap-note Speaker

<u>Attention 4-H members</u> - want to learn ways to sell your 4-H projects?

All households have 4-H projects stashed somewhere. Why not sell some of your creations as an entrepreneur?

This summer, several 4-H youth will staff a collaborative booth at local farmers markets. Youth will be selling items they've grown or produced.

Interested? To get in on the action, youth will need to participate in entrepreneurship workshops. These sessions will be available either in person or virtually. Topics will include product development, marketing, and customer service.



In person sessions will be Tuesday, April 13 and Wednesday, April 14 (time TBD by participants - either 4-5 p.m. OR 6:30-7:30 p.m.) A second round of workshops are tentatively scheduled for Thursday April 29 and Friday, April 30 (time TBD).

4-H youth who have completed the entrepreneur workshop topics are invited to participate in a practice market event on Saturday, April 24 at the Winfield Fairgrounds between 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. (This is the same day as the spring livestock shows). Look for a tent by the food stand and come shop!

For more information, contact Becky at 620-221-5450.

Sunny Hills 4-H Camp

Cowley County will attend 4-H Camp with the Sunny Hills camp group at Rock Springs 4-H Center June 15-18, 2021. 4-H Camp is available to youth who have completed 3rd through 7th grade in May 2021. Due to COVID, numbers for each county attending camp were limited this year. Registration was taken on a first-come, first-serve basis and Cowley County has reached it's capacity. Anyone who wishes to attend camp will now be placed on a waiting list. If you want to register your 4-H'er for the waiting list, please visit https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 9Qw3qmQlAeOAkD4.

Camp Counselors Needed

Sunny Hills 4-H Camp is an opportunity for older 4- H'ers to gain positive leadership skills through service as a camp counselor. Counselors must be at least freshman-complete, however, preference is given to those who are sophomore- complete. Counselors will attend Counselor Training June 14-15. Applications are available online at https://www.cowley.k-state.edu/4-h/ localeventsandregistration and are due by April 30, 2021.

Small Livestock Tagging and Weigh-In

To exhibit at the 2021 Cowley County Fair, all sheep and meat goats must be weighed and tagged; swine must be tagged on this date. Sheep and goats will each have a rate of gain contest for 2021.

Will be held Tuesday, April 27 at the Winfield Fairgrounds from 4-6pm. Please enter from the south end of the fairgrounds and pull between the cattle barn and sheep/goat barn.

Bucket calves may be brought for tagging if a family needs assistance with the bucket calf eartag, but are not required to be there. Bucket calf tags may be purchased over the counter in the Extension Office.

If your family is unable to attend the scheduled tagging, you must contact the Extension Office IN ADVANCE to schedule tagging. Tagging must be completed by May 1, 2021.

Nominating Livestock for the Kansas State Fair and Kansas Junior Livestock Show

In order to be eligible to exhibit livestock (Beef, Sheep, Meat Goats, Swine) in the Grand Drive of the Kansas State Fair and/or the Kansas Junior Livestock Show, exhibitors must complete the state nomination process found at https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/

Any youth exhibiting at the Kansas State Fair or Kansas Junior Livestock Show must also complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) training.

Horse Project Deadline

Horse members must complete/renew their Horse ID forms annually by *May 1st* in order to be eligible to show at the Cowley County Fair, District Horse Show, and/or the Kansas 4-H Horse Show. Horse ID forms are available at www.kansas4-h.org. Members interested in participating in the 3-year maturity project are required to submit appropriate nomination forms also available in the Kansas 4-H website.

South Central District Horse Show

The South Central District Horse Show is scheduled for Thursday, July 1, 2021 at the Kansas State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson, KS. The District Horse Show is the qualifying event for horse project members that wish to exhibit at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show. In order to participate at the District Show, members must have completed the Level 1 Kansas 4-H Horse Level Test. Entries are due June 17, 2021. Exhibitors should complete the online registration at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1RZHi55M517yBgi they will be invoiced via PayPal for their fees.

2021 Wildlife Habitat Education Program News

The National WHEP Committee has decided to host a virtual competition during 2021, and KS WHEP will follow suit to provide a safe and consistent environment for our competition.

To provide flexibility for completing the virtual competition, Wildlife Challenge (includes Parts 1 & 2), Management Recommendations, and Management Plan sections of the competition will be available for completion during May 1-7. Oral Reasons interviews will be conducted via Zoom on May 10 & 11. The state is still finalizing a platform for the contest, and will ensure that it is accessible to all.

Deadline to enter virtually is April 15th - if you have a member interested, please contact us and we will help get you registered for the event. The study material is available at www.WHEP.org and will be over the Eastern Deciduous Forest ecoregion.

Qualifier Results

Congratulations to Cowley County 4-H Shooting Sports members who represented us at the 2021 Sedgwick County Winter Air Discipline qualifier in Cheney on March 6-7th.

Cowley BB team members Jacob Arnett, Kyle Bannon, Everett Green, Annica Shaw, and Stetson Shook all qualified to attend the May 1st State BB match in Great Bend with Stetson Shook placing 4th high individual in the 14-15 year old division.



Sunday, April 4th - HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!

Thursday, April 1st - Archery, meadow, 6:30 pm (continuing weekly after that as weather allows.)

<u>Sunday, April 11th</u> - Shotgun, meadow, 2:00

Sunday, April 18th - Building #1, fairgrounds - 2:15 Club meeting, 3:30 start air practices (BB, AR, & AP)

<u>Friday, April 23rd-</u> Marquee Flower Delivery, 3:00-7:00 pm

Sunday, May 2nd - Building #1, fairgrounds, 2:15 Club meeting, 3:30-4:30

Air Fun Shoot

Thursday, May 6th, 13th, 20th - Archery, meadow 6:30 p.m.

<u>Sunday, May 16th</u> - Shotgun, meadow, 2:00

Cowley Air Pistol members Amanda Bannon and Robyn Shaw took 2nd place team with Amanda ranking 4th in Senior division and Robyn 1st in 1st year Senior Shooter division.

Cowley Air Rifle team members Jacob Arnett, Kyle Bannon, Everett Green, Robyn Shaw, and Stetson Shook placed 3rd team overall with Jacob 5th high Senior individual, Kyle 6th high 1st year individual, Everett 5th high 1st year individual, Robyn, 3rd high 1st year individual, and Stetson, 3rd high senior individual. Congratulations to Jacob and Stetson for qualifying to attend the May 1st State Air Rifle Match.

35TH ANNUAL

Cowley Courty Classic Beef Show

Saturday, April 24, 2021

Winfield Fairgrounds; Winfield, KS PRIZES: \$500, \$300, \$250

TOP 3 MARKET AND BREEDING

General Rules

Entry is open to any bonafide 4-H or FFA member. Exhibitors must be at least 7 years old and not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1, 2021.

The entry fee is \$30/head by April 16, 2021. After April 16, entry will be \$35/head. Entry fee must accompany the official entry blank. Preentries are preferred. **All pre-entered exhibitors will receive a show t-shirt.**

Cash awards will be given to the top three Market and top three Breeding animals (\$500, \$300, \$250). Prizes will be awarded for Showmanship and Class winners.

There will be no limit on the number of entries per exhibitor.

Heifer and steer check in begins at 7:00 a.m. All entries must be checked in and weight cards are due by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 24, 2021.

No stalling, no bedding available. Must show off the trailer. Generators are encouraged. Exhibitors are to clean up their area before leaving the grounds.

A minimum of 3 head is required to show as a breed. There will be an AOB class if needed. The show management reserves the right to alter and/or combine classes.

Heifers must be accompanied by registration papers or a copy of transfer papers in the member's name. There will be a commercial heifer class for all unregistered heifers.

Market Steers will show by breed and weight. The Market Heifers will show by weight.

The showmanship contest is open to all exhibitors and will be conducted as follows: Senior (14 and over), Intermediate (10-13), Junior (7-9). Age is determined before January 1, 2021..

There will be a separate Market and separate Breeding class for Cowley County Exhibitors with no entry fee.

The Cowley County Classic will be a full-fit show.

Skills learned in 4-H last a lifetime:

A positive self concept An inquiring mind A concern for the community
Healthy interpersonal relationships Sound decision making

Please complete and return to: Cowley County Classic c/o Cowley County Extension P.O. Box 538 Winfield, KS 67156

**Exhibitors who pre-enter by April 16, 2021 will receive a t-shirt.

Exhibitor Name		Age (before 1/1/2021)		
County	Address			
City/ST/Zip		Showmanship: SR INT JR		
T-shirt size (indicate youth or adult Breed (specify steer or heifer)				
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3		4		

Cowley County Sheep and Meat Goat Show

Saturday, April 24, 2021 Winfield Fairgrounds; Winfield, KS

General Rules

Entry is open to any bonafide 4-H or FFA member. Exhibitors must be at least 7 years old and not have passed their 19th birthday before January 1, 2021.

The entry fee is \$15/head and \$5 per exhibitor for showmanship by April 16, 2021. Entries received after April 16 are \$25/head. All preentered exhibitors will receive a show t-shirt. Entry fee is to defray expenses of the show. No refunds. Judge's decision will be final.

Animals shown in the market classes are not eligible to show in the breeding classes and vice versa.

Everyone must check in at the registration table prior to weighing. This includes in-county, out of county, breeding and market entries.

Market lambs must be slick-shorn to one quarter inch, to the hock. Wool on the face and below the hock is allowed.

Market Goats will be shown clipped to 3/8" or less. All classes will be split by weight.

All goats must be dehorned or tipped and rounded.

All wethers must be castrated/banded prior to coming to the show. No bucks/rams allow.

The showmanship contest is open to all exhibitors and will be conducted as follows: Senior (14 and over), Intermediate (10-13), Junior (7-9).

Age is determined before January 1, 2020. All animals shown in showmanship classes must be owned by the exhibitor.

Classes will be determined by weight and specified by committee. Classes will be determined at the conclusion of weigh-in.

Each exhibitor will be allowed to show only two head in market and two head in breeding classes.

No stalling, no bedding available. Must show off the trailer. Generators are encouraged. Exhibitors are to clean up their area before leaving the grounds.

All lambs must have lamb teeth, all goats must have kid teeth. All sheep and goats must have scrapes tag. No yearling ewes or yearling does. NO MISTREATMENT OF ANIMALS WILL BE TOLERATED.

HEALTH REQUIREMENT: Animals that are ill, have soremouth, and/or "club lamb" fungus **will not be allowed to show.** Decision of veterinarian is final.

The use of artifical coloring, except on hooves is prohibited.

Each exhibitor must groom his/her own animal and may use only the assistance of an immediate family member (mother, father, legal guardian, brother, sister) or another 4-H/FFA member who is an exhibitor at the show.

A special peewee showmanship class for children less than 7 years old will be offered during fitting and showing. **Peewees may ONLY exhibit in fitting and showing.

Goats must be shown with all four feet on the ground. Exhibitors may use a collar, a collar with a short lead or a halter when showing. Medium (3mm) or smaller pinch collars will be allowed.

There will be a separate Market and separate Breeding class for Cowley County Exhibitors with no entry fee.

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The Kansas 4-H Sportfishing Tournament

Open to all 4-H members. The contest runs throughout the year and ends September 15, 2020. Anglers can fish year round but entries must be in by the deadline, fish caught after the deadline may be entered in the next contest.

One 4-H Angler of the Year will be named in each of the species listed below. These are fish commonly found in Kansas waters. Each Angler of the Year will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap and a Wal-Mart gift certificate to hopefully be used for fishing equipment (one per individual). All participants that enter a certified entry will receive a 4-H Sportfishing cap.

The following species will make up the contest: Specie Minimum length for entry

Catfish (Channel, Flathead, or Blue Cat) 15"
Sunfish (Bluegill, Green Sunfish, Hybrid Sunfish) 6"
Crappie (Black or White) 10"
Black Bass (Largemouth or Smallmouth) 15"
Carp or Drum (Any Rough Fish) 15"
Other Game Fish (Walleye Saugeye, White Bass, Wiper, Striper, Trout) 15"



- 1. Must be enrolled in 4-H.
- 2. Entry must be measured by length, verified by a witness and be accompanied by a photo of the entry. (This is a minimum entry to receive a cap.) Please use the 2020 entry form on the cowley.k-state.edu website.
- 3. To compete for Angler of the Year Award the entry must also be weighed and witnessed (digital hand scale is acceptable, no spring scales please.) Only one Angler of the Year award per individual will be awarded. If a participant is selected as first in a class their additional entries will not be considered in subsequent classes. We want to recognize as many participants as possible.
- 4. Fish can be caught anywhere in the state of Kansas.
- 5. Fish must be caught by a legal method as outlined in the current Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism Fishing Regulations Summary.
- 6. Entries must be postmarked by September 15th or e-mailed by that date. Winners will be announced around October 1, 2020. Every effort will be made to have the awards available to the counties by their achievement awards program for presentation at the program or sent directly to the winners please indicate on your entry form which you prefer and the date of your Achievement Banquet if that is your preference.
- 7. Entries are to be submitted to Tommie Berger, 406 S. New York Ave. Sylvan Grove, KS 67481. bergkwf@wtciweb.com 785-524-6112

Kansas Range Youth Camp



June 15-18, 2021

Sponsored by:





If <u>YOU</u> are interested in plants, livestock, or wildlife, attend an educational event like no other in Kansas!

Participants: Upcoming High School Sophomores, Juniors, & Seniors

Location: Camp Mennoscah, Murdock, KS (in Kingman County)

Learning: Range Plant Identification, Plant Growth, Stocking Rate

Determinations, Livestock Nutrition, Rangeland

Wildlife Management, and much more!

Special Items: Field Trips, Steak Dinner

Activities: Swimming, Canoeing, Fishing, & Hiking

Tuition: \$250 per participant*

^{*}Interested students should contact their local Conservation District, Extension Office, Farm Bureau office, livestock association, and/or other local business for possible financial assistance.



Educating Kansas youth for over 50 years!





Kansas 4-H is celebrating the 75th year of 4-H Camp at Rock Springs Ranch this year! Did you know that more than 75 years ago, in 1945, the land that is now part of Rock Springs Ranch was purchased to become the new home for Kansas 4-H camp, all because of 4-H youth like us? Youth raised the funds to pay off the mortgage before the first camping season even began!

Kansas 4-H Youth Leadership Council members were inspired by what these Kansas 4-H members did 75 years ago and have an idea for making sure camp is extra special for the next 75 years. We are introducing a new **Leadership Adventure Course** for Rock Springs Ranch! The Leadership Adventure Course is a <u>team obstacle course</u> with high ropes, low elements and a <u>dueling zip line that serve as leadership development tools.</u>

The challenge to Endorse the Course ends May 1st!

Your gift made between **now and May 1st** will ensure the Leadership Adventure Course is complete for campers this summer and for the next 75 years!

Together, our goal as clubs is to raise \$25,000. For every \$5,000 that we raise, generous donors who believes in us will match every gift dollar for dollar, up to \$25,000! That means our total would double and become \$50,000!

YES, I WILL ENDORSE THE COURSE!					
\$500	\$250	\$100	\$50	Other	
Contact(s) Name: Organization Name: (if applicable) Address: Mailing address			You can give securely online at: kansas4hfoundation.org/ETC/give Check payable to: Kansas 4-H Foundation Credit Card (Please fill out all required * information)		
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ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

HOW TO APPLY HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Have a leadership background

Be enrolled as a full time student at K-State for the fall semester

GPA of 3.0 or higher for high school seniors or GPA of 2.65 for college transfers Complete an application on www.alphaofclovia.org/apply/

Submit 3 letters of reference.

Complete an in-person or videoconference interview

\$1,900/semester *fees are subject to change

Price includes 17 meals/week, free laundry, printer access, walking distance to campus (no K-State permit required) and more!



April 2021

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As someone who contributes time, talent and/or treasure to the benefit of Cowley County Extension, you are invited to be part of the Friends of Cowley County Extension organization. The group will alternate between morning and evening meetings to plan fundraising and advocacy events to support K-State Research and Extension Cowley County.

*Did you know? Tax deductible contributions can be made to the 4-H Development Fund (c/o PO Box 538, Winfield KS 67156) or to the Friends of Cowley County Extension Endowment (c/o Legacy Regional Community Foundation, 1216 Main Street, Winfield KS 67156) 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

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