

PHILLIPS COUNTY

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MAY

- 1 Horse ID's due in 4HOnline
- 6 Market Sheep and Goat weigh-in, 3-4 p.m. Fairgrounds (East Beef Barn)
- 7 Swine ID's due in 4HOnline
- 9 State 4-H Conference registration deadline
- 11 *Be Somebody!* Program registration deadline
- 21 Phillips County Fair Board Meeting
- 28 Holiday, Extension Office Closed
- 29 Ronald McDonald House Community Pride Activity
- 29 First Cloverbud Camp, 9-11:30 a.m., Ortner Room
- 30 *Be Somebody!* Program, Burlington

JUNE

- 1 Ownership deadline for Rabbits and all Breeding projects
- 1 State Fair nominations for Market Swine, Sheep and Goats due
- 11-14 Wild Bug Fish Camp
- 12 Swine showmanship clinic, 9 a.m., Sedgwick Co. Fairgrounds
- 12 Beef showmanship clinic, 1 p.m., Sedgwick Co. Fairgrounds

JUNE continued

- 13 Sheep showmanship clinic, 9 a.m., Sedgwick Co. Fairgrounds
- 13 Goat showmanship clinic, 1 p.m., Sedgwick Co. Fairgrounds
- 15 Ownership deadline for all Poultry
- 18 Phillips County Fair Board Meeting
- 19-22 State 4-H Conference – Fort Collins

JULY

- 2 Cow Patty Bingo tickets due in office (check with your leaders for club deadline)
- 2 Second Cloverbud Camp, 9-11:30 a.m., Haxtun Community Center
- 4 Holiday, Extension Office Closed
- 16 Livestock, Horse and General project pre-entries due (online)
- 16 Club completion sheets due in office
- 18 Phillips County Fair Board Meeting
- 21 Fairgrounds set up, 8 a.m.
- 24 Interview Judging
- 25-29 **PHILLIPS COUNTY FAIR**



Colorado 4-H Foundation Raffle

Once again, the Colorado 4-H Foundation will raffle off a 2018 Ford XLT F-150 super crew pickup, in addition to other cash prizes. The tickets are one ticket for \$5 or five tickets for \$20. Remember, 40% of the ticket sales in Phillips County will come back to the Phillips County 4-H Council, or to your club if your club chooses to sell tickets. If you or your club is interested in selling tickets, or would like to purchase tickets, please contact the Extension Office.



Cow Patty Bingo Fundraiser

The Phillips County 4-H Council will once again be doing Cow Patty Bingo for a fundraiser. Please see your club leader if you haven't received your tickets to sell yet. Tickets are \$5 for one or \$20 for five. Money and ticket stubs are due to the Extension Office by July 2. Your leader will probably have an earlier club deadline. All tickets you receive *must* be sold. If you are having trouble selling your tickets, talk to your club leader soon – don't wait! Your club leader may know of another club member who may be able to help you sell some tickets. Clubs will receive \$.50 per ticket turned in by July 2. If the tickets

and money are not received by July 2, the club will forfeit the \$.50 incentive. The bingo contest will occur Saturday after the parade at the fairgrounds. The winner will receive \$500, with \$150 in consolation money. Remember, this is the only fundraiser the Council does each year. The money raised is helping to assist you as a 4-H member with different 4-H activities. If you have any questions, please contact Kindra at the Extension Office. *Happy selling!* ☺

Take a Look At These Upcoming 4-H Opportunities!

Ronald McDonald House Community Pride Activity: May 29, Aurora. 4-H members age 12 and up are invited to participate in this activity. We will be planning, preparing and serving a meal for families who are staying in the Aurora Ronald McDonald House. After we finish with the activity, we will be going to Boondocks. Space is limited so call soon if you're interested!

Be Somebody! Program: May 30, Burlington. 4-H youth ages 11-13 are invited to attend. Through games and activities led by senior-age 4-H members, youth will learn how to live by showing honor and respect.

To register, call Kindra. Registrations are due by May 11.



Horse Practices

Classroom sessions will begin on May 14, 6 p.m. at the Phillips County Event Center. Ride nights will begin June 4, 6 p.m. in the arena. Watch your email and mail boxes for more information from your horse leaders.

Livestock Showmanship Clinics

Phillips County and Sedgwick County are partnering to hold two FREE livestock showmanship clinics to help prepare 4-H and FFA members for county fair. The beef and pig clinic will be June 12, with pigs starting at 9 a.m. and beef at 1 p.m. The sheep and goat clinic will be June 13, with sheep at 9 a.m. and goats at 1 p.m. Please bring your animal and supplies for showmanship. All clinics will be held at the Sedgwick County Fairgrounds in Julesburg. Don't let the drive discourage you from attending! These will be great opportunities to learn and practice before fair.

State 4-H Conference

This year's conference will be held June 19-22 on the Colorado State University campus in Ft. Collins. State Conference provides great training and is an opportunity for 4-H members and leaders to strengthen their leadership skills. State Conference also hosts the following state contests: livestock bowl, livestock judging, consumer choices, consumer bowl, horse bowl, horse judging, hippology, horse demonstration and public speaking, prepared speech, impromptu speech and parliamentary procedure. Phillips County 4-H members must participate in a contest to attend State Conference. For more information, please contact Kindra. To attend, you must be 14 years (4-H age) or older. Registrations are due May 9.

Interview Judging

Interview Judging is scheduled for July 24 at the Event Center. All general and FCS projects will be scheduled for an interview. You are highly encouraged to attend your scheduled interview; however, if you absolutely cannot make it, you need to complete an absentee interview judging form prior to Interview Judging. If you do not participate in Interview Judging, your project will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Grand Champion, and Unit or Reserve Unit Champion, which also means your project will not be eligible for state fair. However, if your project is the only one in its unit and the judge gives the project a blue ribbon and deems it state fair quality, that project will be eligible for state fair. The interview judging schedule will be mailed around the beginning of July. Cloverbuds are also encouraged to participate in interview judging and will have a scheduled time to meet with the interview judge and show their crafts they completed at cloverbud mini

camp. Livestock members are not required to participate in interview judging; however, all livestock members are required to show in showmanship in at least one species at fair.

2018 Phillips County Fair "Small Town Showdown"

Updates, Rule Changes, Reminders, Etc.

- **Rule Change:** Blocking will be allowed for breeding goats (not market).
- **Rule Change:** Drenching for hydration of animals is now allowed. Doctoring, doping, tubing or injecting show animals is still prohibited. (See Rule A under 4-H and FFA/Youth Division Livestock Rules in the fair book). Please contact the Extension Office or a member of the Livestock Committee for questions/clarification.
- **Update:** There will be a tiny tot show for each livestock division (including horse). Please see the fair book for more information.
- **Thank you's:** All thank you's (sale and general fair thank you) must be turned in to the Extension Office before you are able to get your sign out slip. Sign out slips will be given out from the Extension Office rather than the superintendents.
- **Reminder:** The Jr. Livestock Sale is terminal for all livestock sold through the sale, including rabbits and poultry.
- **Reminder:** No decorations of any kind allowed on sale animals.
- **Reminder:** All Junior Livestock Sale consignment forms are due Friday, July 27, 6 p.m.
- **Livestock Weigh-in and Entry Information:** Market animal weigh-in and entry: Wednesday, July 25, 5-8 p.m. Weigh-in order will be: sheep, goats, cattle and hogs. Carcass ultrasounds will be performed at this time.
Rabbit and poultry entry: Wednesday, July 25, 4-8 p.m.
- **Livestock Exhibitor Meeting:** Thursday, July 26, 8 a.m. All livestock exhibitors need to be in attendance!
- **Livestock Exhibitors:** Make sure your pens/stalls/cages are cleaned by 8 a.m. and again by 7 p.m. each evening. Remember – the public is walking through the barns throughout fair and we want to give them the best impression we can! Superintendents will be giving friendly reminders if your area needs attention.
- **All poultry** will be required to have leg bands. Please use the bands provided by the Extension Office.

Don't Forget!



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