Cochise County

The 2016 Cochise County Rule Book is Now Available!

The 2016 Cochise County 4-H & FFA Rule Book and Calendar are included in the mailing of this newsletter. It is highly recommended that each member and leader read the sections that pertain to their projects to familiarize yourself with them; you will have better successes in your projects if you are familiar with the rules.

Key Changes:
Page 13, #9 – addition of pilot division for 4-H Makers.
Page 17, #4 – Criteria to be piloted for assessing advanced riding skills.
Page 18, #7 – tamper proof EID tag
NEW- Auction to be held in show ring

Enrollment Deadlines
✔ February 1st in order to exhibit any market or carcass animal at the Cochise County Fair.
✔ April 1st in order to exhibit all other projects at the Cochise County Fair.

Forms: Forms can be found on the Cochise County 4-H Website, http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/cochise by selecting the Forms tab or on the State 4-H Website, https://extension.arizona.edu/4h/ by selecting the State Forms tab at the top of the page.

Enrollment Fees: The program development/enrollment fee will be $25 for 4-H and FFA members, no fee is charged for continuing volunteer leaders, and new volunteer leaders will be charged a $25 application fee. You can pay this fee by credit card at the time of enrollment on 4HOnline or through your club or chapter by sending the fee directly to the 4-H Office at 450 S. Haskell Ave., Willcox, AZ 85643. Payment must be received for your enrollment to be accepted.

Have Questions about 4-H?
Please feel free to contact either Extension Office with any questions you may have about 4-H, we will be happy to help you.

4-H Foundation Scholarships
4-H Foundation Scholarship forms are available online at the Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation Website. Annually the Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation provides thousands of dollars in college scholarships to 4-H members and alumni college students. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed so make sure yours is complete. For more information on 4-H Foundation Scholarships: http://cals.arizona.edu/4-h_foundation/scholarships.html. Contact Susan if you have questions. Our county deadline is February 8th to either county 4-H office.

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Please note:
The Cochise County 4-H Connection Newsletter is available online in color and with active links, on the county 4-H Website and on 4HOnline.

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Club Paperwork due to either Extension Office by February 1st
- 4-H Club/Unit Information Form
- 4-H Club Annual Program Plan
- Officer Information Form
- Groups Serving One Race Form AAP2 (when applicable)
- 4-H Club Program Development Fee Payment Log (when making a club payment)

Arizona 4HOnline Website: https://az.4honline.com

Enrollment: Each family is required to set up a family profile, this includes the main contact information for your family such as name, address, phone number and email. Once the family profile has been set up you will then add each volunteer leader and youth 4-H and/or FFA member. Do not create a new profile if you already have one.

Re-enrollment: Upon logging into your family profile you will select “Edit” for each member/leader you wish to renew membership for. At the bottom of the “Personal Information” screen select the “Enroll for 2015-2016” button, and then continue throughout the remainder of the pages updating information as you go, keeping in mind that some information entered in the previous year may have dropped off and will need to be updated for the current year. For members not active in the prior 4-H year, please contact the Extension Office, do not set up a new profile.

Payment for 2015-2016 Year - Toward the end of the enrollment process a payment page will be available, please note: credit card payments are accepted online at the time of enrollment. If paying by check, you must choose the “County/Club 4-H Check” option (this includes individual checks too), then select the “Select Payment Method” button at the bottom of the page to move on to the “Confirm” page. If paying by credit card your card will be charged upon acceptance of enrollment by the county office and payment will be processed by the state - this may take 3-5 days.

Payment must be received for your enrollment to be accepted.

Please check your email regularly. If there are any issues with your enrollment, we will be communicating with you through your provided email.

Questions or Difficulty with Enrollment: Contact Connie or Tricia at the Willcox Extension Office at 520-384-3594 or by email, cforsyth@ag.arizona.edu or triciadunham@email.arizona.edu.

Horse Registration:
All horse project members (4-H & FFA) must complete horse registration and lease forms for all current horses online in 4HOnline. For previously registered horses please review all previously entered information, make necessary changes and corrections and then verify the accurateness of information. Registration is due 30 days prior to a show. Please complete horse registration by February 1st. Detailed instructions can be found at http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/state/4honline-resources.

LIVESTOCK & HORSE NEWS

SAILA
Check out the SAILA website to see what shows are going on around the state for the Southwest Livestock Junior Exhibitors: http://sailashows.com. The Yuma show is scheduled for January 23rd and the Arizona Classic in Pinal County is scheduled for February 6th-7th. Go to the link above for more information and for entry forms.

Helmet Sample Kit Available
We have a kit with three different brands in small, medium and large that can be checked out by clubs. The kit can help in determining the best helmet for each member. Contact the Willcox office if you would like to use the kit.

Animal Mortality Insurance
Did you know your 4-H/FFA member can recover costs due to the death of one of their livestock?

Farm Bureau Financial Services understands that you and your club members put a lot of time and energy into raising livestock. That’s why they would like to help them protect their investment(s). Their unique insurance policy, Animal Mortality Insurance, is tailored to short-term livestock ownership. Under this policy, each animal is insured for its cost or value in the event of an unexpected death. If you have any questions regarding the details and benefits of this type of insurance policy, please call 1-800-526-7270.
NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE & BEYOND

Small Stock Show

As a Small Stock enthusiast, we would like to invite you and other members of your club to participate with other top 4-H’ers in the 27th Annual COLORADO RIVER 4-H SMALL STOCK SHOW on January 16 - 17, at the Verde Valley Fairgrounds in Cottonwood, Arizona. This will be a complete small stock show, including rabbit, pigeon, poultry and cavy. ALL 4-H members are invited to participate in breed conformation classes, showmanship classes and judging events with LIVE classes for Sr.’s & Jr.’s and a Quiz Bowl competition.

Round Robin Champions will be awarded in judging and quiz bowl for the Best "All Around" Showmen and Quiz Bowl Team.

So come be part of the Biggest, the BEST, the COLORADO RIVER 4-H SMALL STOCK SHOW.

For more information and entry forms go to: http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/colorado-river-small-stock-show-0

WLRF 2016

The Western Regional Leaders Forum (WRLF) will be held in Fairbanks, AK on March 2-4, 2016! They’re gearing up and getting ready. One thing is for sure: Northern delights are guaranteed! For more information visit their website at: www.alaska2016.com.

World of 7 Billion Video Contest

Deadline February 25, 2016

Create a short video – up to 60 seconds – about human population growth that highlights one of the following global challenges: Deforestation, Public Health, or Water Scarcity. All videos must include a) how population growth impacts the issue and b) at least one idea for a sustainable solution. Students can win up to $1000 and their educators could receive free curriculum resources. Full contest guidelines, resources for research, past winners, and more are posted here: http://www.worldof7billion.org

National AG DAY

National Agriculture Day - March 15th

The Agriculture Council of America and the National Ag Day program was started in 1973. National Ag Day is a day to recognize and celebrate the abundance provided by agriculture. Every year, producers, agricultural associations, corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America join together to recognize the contributions of agriculture.

This is the 43rd anniversary of National Ag Day. The goal of the Agriculture Council of America (ACA) is to provide a spotlight on agriculture and the food and fiber industry. The ACA not only helps consumers understand how food and fiber products are produced, but also brings people together to celebrate accomplishments in providing safe, abundant and affordable products.

For more information, or to participate in this year’s Ag Day activities please go to: www.agday.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2015 Record Book Winners

The 4-H program has a long history of record keeping. The focus reflects the importance of this life skill in our daily lives. In 4-H, young people have tracked their activities, events, profits and losses, skill development and learning experiences, and much more using the iconic 4-H Record Book. In addition to record keeping, the 4-H Record Book gives members an opportunity to reflect on their year, measure their achievements and growth, and set goals, and develop plans to meet those goals.

Each year youth are offered the opportunity to enter their completed record books in the Cochise County 4-H Record Book Competition and have the chance to win cash prizes. Each of our Cloverbuds that submit a Cochise County 4-H Cloverbud Record Book receives a participation award.

Cloverbuds: Madison Bennett, Addison Burright, Cooper Burright, David Colburn, Alexandra Felix, Rossella Felix, Rowan Hampson, Nick Howard, Nathan Riggs

Juniors: 1st Place - Natalie Colburn, 2nd Place - Trinity Rego, 3rd Place – Ysabel Romero, Katie Howard

Intermediate: 1st Place - Cody Roehsler, 2nd Place - Daniel Romero
ANLS Winners
Congratulations to the Cochise County senior livestock judging team at Arizona Nationals. Team members Shannon Addington, Hunter Bidegain, Joseph Fickett, and Preslee West were the high Arizona 4-H team and will be representing Arizona at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Kentucky in November 2016.

Demonstrations
In 4-H we want our members to learn and practice good communication skills. Giving project reports at club meetings, being an officer, keeping a record book, giving a demonstration, presenting a talk, and much more can be ways that you can build your communication skills. Learning to speak before an audience is often one of the things people say they most remember and value about their 4-H experiences.

All 4-H members will be required to present a demonstration at the project, club or county level in order to exhibit at the county fair. Once the demonstration has been presented at the project or club level it must be recorded online at http://tinyurl.com/ccdemo2016 by the member, parent or leader. A report of those submitted will be sent to the community club leader for verification.

Helpful Links
AZ 4-H Foundation http://www.ag.arizona.edu/4-h_foundation
Arizona 4-H http://extension.arizona.edu/4h
Cochise County 4-H http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/cochise
Quality Assurance http://extension.arizona.edu/quality
Visit us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/CochiseCounty4H/
### 2016 COCHISE COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

Be sure to check the newsletter and calendar online for changes and additions

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<td>J.O.L.T. Camp, Heber AZ</td>
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JULY
2 Ranch Sorting Clinic, 9am – Rocking JP Ranch
4 Independence Day Holiday: Offices Closed
5 Market Sheep, Goats, Hogs – Deadline to submit tagging verification
9-10 Holbrook SAILA Show
10-14 State 4-H Camp
16 County Project: Arts & Crafts, Foods, Cloverbuds
23 Outdoor Discovery/Hiking
23-24 SAILA, Safford
23 Deadline for ownership of breeding & prospect cattle
25-29 NRCWAY Camp

AUGUST
1 Deadline for ownership of poultry & rabbit meat pens for county fair
6 Ranch Sorting Clinic, 9am – Rocking JP Ranch
13 Get it Done Clinic, UA Sierra Vista
13 County Project: Arts & Crafts, Foods, Cloverbuds
15 Deadline for ownership of breeding and prospect goats, sheep & swine for county fair
15 All 4-H/FFA Building, Dog and Horse fair entries due
20-21 SAILA, Sonoita
25 Livestock Council, 6:30pm, UA Sierra Vista
27 Outdoor Discovery/Hiking
27 Fair Workday
27-28 County Fair Horse Show - Douglas

SEPTEMBER
1 All Livestock and Small Stock Entries Due
1 All self-evaluations due
1 Photography Exhibits Due
3-4 SAILA, Douglas
5 Labor Day Holiday: Offices Closed
10 County Project – Cloverbud, Foods
11 Carcass Live Judging - Steers, 2:30pm, UA Campus Ag Center
14 Carcass Live Judging - Goat, Sheep, Swine, 5:30pm, UA Campus Ag Center
17 Carcass Evaluation Program, 10am, UA Campus Ag Center
17 Most Fair Building Exhibits Due, 10:00am-4:00pm, Interview Judging for all areas except Food Preparation, Cake Decorating, and Horticulture.
21 Building Interview Judging, 4:00-8:00pm for Food Preparation, Cake Decorating, and Horticulture
21-25 Cochise County Fair

OCTOBER
1 Award of Merit Due
3-7 National 4-H Week
5-16 Tractor Supply Paper Clover Promotion
8-9 SAILA, Parker
9-13 National 4-H Agent Conference
18 Livestock Council, 6:30pm, San Simon
20 Record Books Due
19-22 National FFA Convention

NOVEMBER
11 Veteran’s Day Holiday: Offices Closed
11-13 State 4-H Horse Show, Queen Creek
15 Livestock Council, 6:30pm, Willcox
24-25 Thanksgiving Day Holiday: Offices Closed

DECEMBER
3 SAILA, Buckeye
26-Jan 2 Christmas/New Year’s Holiday: University Closure: Offices Closed

HELPFUL LINKS
Cochise County 4-H: http://extension.arizona.edu/4h/cochise
Enrollment: http://az.4honline.com
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/cochisecounty4h
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/cochiseextension
Arizona 4-H: http://extension.arizona.edu/4h
Livestock Quality Assurance: http://cals.arizona.edu/ylqa
SAILA: http://www.sailashows.com
TheSaleRing: http://esalering.com
County Fair: http://cochisecountyfair.org
4-H Foundation: http://cals.arizona.edu/4-h_foundation
National 4-H: http://4-h.org
New for the 2015-16 4-H year we will have additional county-wide 4-H project opportunities. These are special opportunities for 4-H’ers to learn and work with members and volunteers from other 4-H clubs. You must be a member in “good standing” with your 4-H club in order to participate in these county-wide projects and related events. Some of these such as livestock are meant to supplemental to your ongoing local project, while others such as shooting sports are stand-alone projects.

### Responsibilities:
- Be a 4-H member in good standing.
- Enroll in the county project in addition to local project.
- Attend 3 of the 4 scheduled meetings to complete.
- Fully participate in the meetings.

### How to enroll:
Make sure you are already enrolled in your local project with the club. Then select the same club and add the related county-wide project – it will have “county” in the title. You will want to enroll in the club project and the county-wide project. If you want to add shooting sports you will need to contact the Willcox office and have the shooting sports club added.

### County-Wide 4-H Project Opportunities

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<td>Led by: Wendy West May 14, 9:30 to 11:30 June 18, 9:30 to 11:30 July 16, 9:30 to 11:30 August 13, 9:30 to 11:30</td>
<td>Led by: Jen Barnett May 14, 12:00 to 2:00 June 18, 12:00 to 2:00 July 16, 12:00 to 2:00 August 13, 12:00 to 2:00</td>
<td>Led by: Tina Johnson The 4th Saturday of each month through August</td>
<td>Led by: Albert Armenta &amp; Various Presenters March 19, April 16 May 21, others TBD Must be saddled warmed up and ready to ride at 9</td>
<td>Led by: Tina Johnson The 1st Saturday of each month through August</td>
<td>County Coordinator: Steve Fenn Northern Area: The 2nd Sunday afternoon of each month</td>
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<td>Led by: Sativa Bennett &amp; Albert Armenta Meetings held at the same time as livestock, photography, arts and crafts and foods.</td>
<td>Albert Armenta, Sativa Bennett &amp; Jen Barnett AmeriCorps Members March 2, 16, 30, April 13, 27 &amp; May 11, 6 to 8pm Benson Maker Demo – Feb 27th</td>
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