



Cochise County 4-H Connection

August 2008

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

ADVANCE SALE CARNIVAL RIDE TICKETS

Advance Sale Carnival Ride Tickets are now available through the fair office only. They are \$17.00 each for pre-sale tickets that will be turned into wristbands at the carnival ticket booth any one day of the fair. The wristbands will be \$25.00 each during the fair. Pre-sale tickets cannot be used in conjunction with any other special ride day or deal. There are a limited number of pre-sale tickets available on a first come basis. Stop by the fair office and get yours now. For more information call the Cochise County Fair Association at (520)364-3819 or email them at cochisectyfair@qwestoffice.net.

FAIR LUNCHEON HELP NEEDED

The Livestock Council needs a club or individual will to provide leadership and coordination for the buyers luncheon held on Sunday of the fair. Please contact Susan by August 11 if you are willing to help out.

LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING AUGUST 25, 5:00-8:00PM SAFFORD HIGH SCHOOL FFA ROOM

If you missed the Quality Assurance workshops in Cochise County, there is a workshop scheduled August 25. It is in Safford from 5-8pm. You must contact Graham County 4-H office at 928-428-2611 for details and to register. The cost is \$10.00. Make check payable to **Lance Fite**. Mail information to: Graham County 4-H Office P.O. Box 127, 2100 South Bowie Ave, Solomon, AZ 85551 Phone: 928-428-2611 or Fax: 928-428-7023

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CALENDAR

Post it so you can see it and add your other 4-H events!

CORRECTION TO THE JULY 4-H CONNECTION

CONGRATULATIONS!

Horse Activity Day Results:
Reserve Jr. Champion -
Nicole Blankenship, San Pedro Spirits

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Some Helpful Websites:

- AZ 4-H Website: <http://ag.arizona.edu/4-h/>
- Cochise County 4-H Website: <http://ag.arizona.edu/cochise/4-h/>
- Quality Assurance Website: <http://ag.arizona.edu/extension/quality/>



**COCHISE COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK
AUCTION (CCJLA)
& LIVESTOCK COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 12, 6:30PM
BENSON FFA ROOM**

The next CCJLA & Livestock Council meeting will be held at the Benson High School FFA room. The fair will be here before we know it, so please plan to attend.

**COUNTY FAIR DOG AGILITY SHOW
& CGC TESTING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 7:00AM**

Cochise County Dog Project Agility year end final runs (the Fair competition) will take place at 8:00am on Saturday, Sept. 20, at Going to Grandma's in Hereford.

Dogs must be one year old to compete, and must have trained on all of the equipment. Handlers must also be signed up in the dog project and have entered the Fair competition. This is a separate entry from the obedience and showmanship entry. That competition will be at the fair grounds the following week.

You will need to read the Cochise County Agility regulations to be sure where you should enter. If you do not have a copy you can e-mail Ruthann McCaulley at hovowart@cox.net or get them from the Sierra Vista 4-H office.

Please plan to arrive at Going to Grandma's about 7:00am to get set up, help set up the course, and do your walk through. Exhibitors are expected to help set up and tear down the equipment. Judging will start promptly at 8:00am, so hopefully we can beat some of the heat. There is no shade where we work, so bring shade, lots of water, and a crate or X-pen for your dog. You should also bring a chair. We do have access to rest rooms.

After the dogs eligible to trial at the fair have run the course, other dog project members who have trained their dogs on all of the equipment may run their dogs over the course, just for fun and be judged - although the judging score will be unofficial. There will be no placements and no ribbons, this is just for practice and fun. Dogs under one year (if they have trained on the agility equipment) will be allowed to run a short course with the tunnels, do the table, and the tire set at it's lowest height. If you plan to participate in this, please contact Ruthann at hovowart@cox.net to sign up.

Anyone interested in testing for the Canine Good Citizen award should contact Ruthann at hovowart@cox.net. The cost is \$10 for 4-H participants. This is a 10 part test, all 10 parts must be passed at one time. I can provide more information if you're interested. The test will be given at 7:00am while the agility course is being set up. **You MUST preregister to be tested by Sept. 13.**

**4-H COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 23, 9:30-10:30AM
COCHISE COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS**

The 4-H Council meeting will be held at the Cochise County Fair grounds from 9:30-10:30am. Please join us.

**FAIR LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENT
MEETING
AUGUST 23, 10:30AM
COCHISE COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS**

The fair livestock superintendent meeting will be held at the Cochise County Fair grounds following the 4-H Council meeting at 10:30am.

**SAN PEDRO SPIRITS
ROPING & TIMED EVENTS HORSE SHOW
AUG. 23, 8:00AM
COCHISE COLLEGE - DOUGLAS**

***CHANGE IN DATE** - San Pedro Spirits 4-H club is hosting this Roping and Timed Events Horse Show. It will be at Cochise College, Douglas Campus on Aug. 23. Registration and warmup will start at 8:00am and the show will start at 9:00am. For information call Kelly Slover at 366-0276 or his email is: sloverk@cochise.edu or gslover@myexcel; or you can contact Tina Johnson at 249-0620 and her email is: sunrise_aih_ranch@yahoo.com.

Mail to: Tina Johnson, 8482 Verbena Lane, Hereford, AZ 85615.

Entries are due by August 16.

AWARD OF MERIT FORMS

Award of Merit for members, clubs, and Clover Kids are due October 1. Forms can be obtained from community club leaders.

LARRY BECK SR. MEMORIAL AWARD

The Larry Beck, Sr. Memorial Award is presented to a senior division 4-H or FFA member who is actively involved in the swine project. He or she must

demonstrate strong leadership and character through his or her participation in the swine project, genuine cooperation with others, and an excellent attitude and friendliness toward others. For a nomination form, contact the Willcox office. Nominations are due by **August 20th**.

ANNUAL SPECIAL 4-H AWARDS

Every year at the Year End Bash (November 8), we recognize three special categories of awards. Please submit your nomination to the Sierra Vista office by **August 22nd**. Community Club leaders will receive the information packet for the nominations. Contact your community club leader to be sure your club sends in their nominations. (2) Outstanding Senior (Seniors who graduated May 2008); (1) Friend of 4-H; (1) 4-H Family of the Year; (1) Outstanding Leader. Members may self-nominate for the Outstanding Senior award. Contact the 4-H office for a nomination form.

CLASSICAL STOCK SEAT SCHOOL OF ARIZONA (FOUNDATION)

C.S.S.S.A. will be holding monthly workshops at the school for 4-H clubs, open riding clubs, or individuals thinking or wanting to get into horses. There is no charge for these workshops. Various topics to be covered including ring work on rider's own horse, classroom discussions, and live demonstrations with school horses. At times the school will bring in outside experts, vet, etc. The classroom sessions could also be at a club or school site. Other topics will include: Riding - balanced stops, canter departs, tacking up horse correctly, trail obstacles, cavalletti work; and Demo/Classroom - grooming correctly & safely, fundamentals of a good saddle, what is good tack, vaccinations, feed supplements, tack cleaning, riding clothes, bits & biting, trailer loading.

Any 4-H club, organization, or group of individuals interested in this program, or for any questions, please contact Lisa McLoughlin at (520)384-3889, PO Box 599, Pearce, AZ 85625 or email her at mcloughlin@hughes.net

PROJECT RECORDS AND RECORD BOOK RULES

All 4-H and FFA members must complete project records. Project records must be completed, reviewed, and commented on prior to September 1, in order to exhibit. Records will be reviewed within the club/chapter. Each club/chapter will determine the due date and will have a review committee to verify completion and make comments. Verification of records completed/up to date will be sent to the

4-H office by September 1st by community leaders. Members will not be required to turn in project records at the county level.

Members may use the county 4-H records, FFA records or you may design your own. Remember – these are your records. Make them fun. Make them yours. Make them creative. Make them memorable. Add pages as you need them. Design your own unique pages. Put them on the computer. Use your imagination.

Project records at the club level must include at minimum:

- What you did - what you learned this year
- A financial journal of income and expenses

To be submitted by all 4-H and FFA members by August 15th with County Fair Entries:

- Project Year Self-Evaluation Form (1 per member)

To be turned in within 1 hour after weigh-in at fair for all market animals

- Market Livestock Summary (1 per market animal)

Record Books for competition are due to either 4-H office by October 24th

- 3 divisions: junior 9-10; intermediate 11-13; senior 14 and up
- 3 awards per division: Gold - \$100; Silver - \$75; Bronze - \$50

Complete guidelines and instructions are available online at <http://cals.arizona.edu/cochise/4-h/forms.html>.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE INPUT NEEDED BY SEPTEMBER 1

Since 2004, all youth livestock exhibitors have been required to attend a Quality Assurance workshop, prior to participating in their county fair and/or state fair. The purpose is to educate youth and adults about the "8 Good Production Practices," in order for youth to have the skills, knowledge, and character to raise a safe and wholesome meat product.

The Arizona Youth Livestock Quality Assurance Steering Committee is conducting a review of the program and need your input as a past participant. We would like to encourage adults and youth to go online to <http://ag.arizona.edu/extension/quality/> then click on the adult or youth survey link. It should take you no more than 10 minutes to complete. If you do not have computer access, you may request a copy of the survey from your local 4-H office to complete and return by mail. Responses will be collected until September 1st. Thank you in advance for your input!

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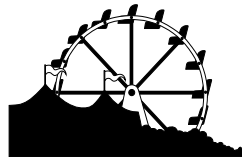
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COCHISE COUNTY FAIR WEBSITE:

<http://cochisefair.org>

**FAIR ENTRIES FOR 4-H, FFA & OPEN LIVESTOCK
DUE AUGUST 15TH!**

**FAIR THEME:
FAMILIES MAKE THE FAIR-GO ROUND**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>August 2008</h1>					1 Volunteer Forum Registration Due	2
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10	11 Registration for QA in Safford Due to Graham County	12 Livestock Council Meeting, Benson FFA Room, 6:30p	13 County Fair Dog Agility Show & CGC Testing Pre-registration Due	14	15 - ALL FAIR ENTRIES DUE - Fair Pass Orders Due	16 Roping & Timed Events Horse Show Entries Due to San Pedro Spirits
17	18	19	20 - Larry Beck Sr Memorial Award Nominations Due - County Fair Dog Agility Show & CGC	21	22 Award Nominations Due	23 - 4-H Council Meeting, Fairgrounds - Fair Livestock Supt. Meeting - Fairgrounds - (DATE CHANGE) Roping & Timed Events Horse Show - Cochise College, Douglas
24 AZ 4-H Night with AZ Diamondbacks	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>September 2008</h1>						
	1 - Labor Day: Offices Closed - Quality Assurance Survey Due	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 -Fair Workday -Photography Exhibits Due
14	15	16 Carcass Live - Tucson 5:30pm	17	18	19	20 Carcass Eval Tucson 10:00am
21	22	23	24 Cochise County Fair	25 Cochise County Fair	26 Cochise County Fair	27 - Cochise County Fair - State Horse Show Entries Due
28 Cochise County Fair	29	30				