



Cochise County 4-H Connection

June 2009

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

MAKE A NOTE!!!



The University of Arizona South in Sierra Vista will be closed on Fridays starting May 22nd continuing through August 14th. Even though the operator says that the University of Arizona South is closed, the Cooperative Extension office will be open so go ahead and dial the extension as you would normally.

RECORD BOOK REMINDER Due October 20th

Don't wait until the last minute. A key component of the 4-H and FFA educational experience is learning how to keep and maintain records of your project(s) and activities. It is also one of the requirements for entering an exhibit at the Cochise County Fair. Not to mention it is a skill that you will use throughout your life.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to our Cochise County 4-H members who were awarded an Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation Scholarship. A total of 22 scholarships were awarded statewide.

- Sarah Richardson and Amanda Zamudio - Cochise County Junior Livestock Auction Scholarship
- Jessica Richardson - Valley Telephone Scholarship

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



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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/>



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QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKSHOPS

All youth, 4-H and FFA planning to exhibit in beef, sheep, swine, dairy, dairy goats, meat goats and pygmy goats at the county or state fair and leaders of these project areas must have a current quality assurance certification.

Certification is good for three years. To re-certify you may attend another workshop or complete the re-certification check sheet. Check out the youth livestock quality assurance website:
<http://ag.arizona.edu/extension/quality> to see when your certification expires and to download a copy of the check sheet.

Two workshops will be offered this summer: June 6, at the old Double Adobe School, 9 to noon & July 18, at Cochise College in Benson, 9 to noon.

"QUILT 'TIL YOU WILT DAY CAMP" JUNE 13TH, 8:30 AM-8:30 PM UOFA SOUTH

Make a rail fence lap quilt in a day. Darcy will provide all of the materials, supplies, and equipment, all you have to do is show up!! Sewing leaders and youth are invited, Contact Darcy by June 5th to for fabric reservations and costs of supplies. Get your fair projects done early!!!

SHEEP, SWINE, GOAT TAGGING DAYS JUNE 20TH & 27TH

Tagging and official verification of all market and carcass sheep, swine, & goats for the Cochise County Fair will be done on June 20th at the Willcox Livestock Auction and at Watkins in McNeal on the 27th. Both taggings will be from **7:30am to 10am**.

You must bring your sheep, swine and/or goats to one of these two tagging days in order to show at the Cochise County Fair. "Tagging" will consist of a DNA ear tag and confirmation as to 4-H or FFA for each animal at the time of tagging. If applicable, Cochise County Bred & Fed forms should be submitted at this time. Download forms online at <http://cals.arizona.edu/cochise/4-h/forms.html>. Each exhibitor may tag up to four animals per species, but may show only one carcass & two live at the fair. Only three of the tagged animals may be entered for county fair.

In case of emergency contact: Susan at 520-507-5939 for the Willcox tagging or Nathan at 520-266-1976 for the Watkins tagging.

SAN SIMON ROADRUNNERS COMMUNITY DANCE JUNE 20, 8:00PM - 1:00AM SAN SIMON FIREMEN'S PARK

San Simon Roadrunners will be hosting a dance, with a DJ playing your favorite music. It is open to the public and all 4-H members are welcome. There will be a concession with hot dogs, chips, sodas, and water.

To get to the Firemen's Park take the business I-10 exit, turn south on Chiricahua Street. Stay on Chiricahua to the park.

LIVESTOCK COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 27TH

There will be a Livestock Council Meeting with a potluck brunch following the tagging on June 27th in McNeal at 10:00am at the Watkins residence. Bring a dish to share.

"GET-IT-DONE CLINIC" AUGUST 8TH

Work on your record books, arts and crafts projects, printing and matting photos, and help with online entries for the fair. Make your building entries, and enter them all in the same day!! Watch the newsletters for more information.

4H₂O ART CONTEST

The University of Arizona is raising awareness and promoting a culture of water conservation through rainwater harvesting demonstration projects with 4-H youth and adults. An art contest with the theme "4-H₂O and Save the Rain Arizona" is open to all students, kindergarten to 12th grade in Arizona.

Entries must be received by June 30th. Applications may be downloaded at <http://ag.arizona.edu/4-h>. Contact Susan if you have any questions.

SHOOTING SPORTS EDUCATION DATES TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR

October 3-4, Winter Shooting Sports Education Certification Course

November 7-8, Shooting Sports Education Contest

**"LEADING FUN EFFECTIVE 4-H MEETINGS"
ADULT AND TEEN LEADER TRAINING JULY 11,
9:00AM-12:00PM
WILLCOX JP COURTROOM**

Saturday, July 11th, 8:30am registration, training starts at 9:00am - 12:00pm in the Willcox JP Courtroom at the Cochise County complex, 450 S. Haskell.

As a leader, have you ever needed help getting everyone involved? Do you need parents to take a more active role with their child? Would it help to have all of the 4-H paperwork in one place for meetings? Is it hard to get record books completed? Do you have a hard time thinking of community service ideas? If you answered "yes" to any of those questions, help is on the way. This workshop will provide leaders with a toolkit that helps organize the project year so youth and adults in each project spread out responsibilities, have a written plan with names beside duties, a project calendar, a letter inviting parents to help, and a list of over 400 community service ideas. There is a \$5.00 fee for materials as each registrant will receive a binder full of a yearly meeting template as well as supplemental materials to help "make the best better". Contact Darcy for more information.

There is also a registration form at the end of the newsletter. Registration due to Darcy on July 2nd.



**COCHISE COYOTES 4-H
ENGLISH & WESTERN HORSE
SHOWS
AUGUST 1, 5:00PM
ARENA BAR - BENSON**

Cochise Coyotes is hosting this event at the Arena Bar in Benson.

- English show will start at 5:00pm.
- Western show will start at approximately 7:30pm.

There are some bleachers available and a BBQ restaurant on site. For more information contact Helen Kilpatrick at (480)223-8261.

Send entries to:

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Benson, AZ 85602

Entry deadline May 23.



**2010 WESTERN REGIONAL
4-H LEADER'S FORUM
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO**

**BLAZING TRAILS
YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW
MARCH 11-14, 2010**

The Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum provides volunteers the opportunity to gain knowledge for improvement of 4-H programs and their effectiveness in working with youth.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the forum in 2010.

**2ND ANNUAL LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP
JUNE 18-20, UA CAMPBELL AVE FARM**

You are invited to the second U of A Livestock Judging Camp. The camp will take place June 18-20, beginning at 5 p.m. on the 18th. That night we will go over general reasons and touch on all the basics. We will follow the next two days with in detail work on all three species and spend a lot of time on oral reasons, we will end with a mini contest on the 20th. Included in the \$50 camp fee is a camp t-shirt, lunch on the 19th and 20th, and a camp booklet as well as refreshments throughout the day on both days.

Please contact the Willcox office for a camp registration form, and a tentative schedule. Registration is **due no later than June 10th**. A block of rooms is reserved at the Windmill Inn and Suites at a rate of \$69.00 per night. The number there is 1-800-547-4747, ask for the judging camp block.

**CLUBS NEEDED TO HOST ROPING AND
TIMED EVENTS HORSE SHOWS**

Contact Susan at 520-766-3601 if you have interested in hosting a show.



LIVESTOCK VIDEOS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT

Show Goat DVD: "The Complete Program" by Mike Harbour • Covers showmanship, feeding, selection, exercise, facilities, fitting, clipping and much more for the goat exhibitor.

Beef-Daily Care DVD: by Kirk Stierwalt • It covers proven techniques to obtain that "competitive edge" to succeed in the show ring.

Beef-Clipping DVD: by Kirk Stierwalt • It gives a thorough illustration of clipping a calf for a show.

Beef-Fitting & Grooming DVD: by Kirk Stierwalt • It covers proven techniques to obtain that "competitive edge" to succeed in the show ring.

Beef-Showmanship DVD: by Kirk Stierwalt • It gives a thorough illustration of good showmanship.

Show Pig 101 DVD: by Mark Hoge • It covers getting your pig ready for a show.

Show Lamb Start to Finish DVD: by the Myron Graff family • Offers a complete overview for the show lamb exhibitor. This video offers knowledge for the beginner as well as the advanced showman.

Ringmaster Videos: Ideal for the beginning showman! Demonstrates selection, feeding, fitting, and showmanship of project animals.

Show Beef VHS video

Show Hog VHS video

Show Lamb VHS video

Contact the Willcox office if you are interested in checking out any of these resources.

RABBIT AND POULTRY LEARNING LABORATORY KITS AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT

Each learning laboratory kit is designed to provide hands-on learning. The contents can be used for Skillathon practice or in any situation where information is needed about rabbits or poultry. They are designed for learner engagement via interactive learning activities. Great to use for project meetings. They enhance the teaching and learning exchange by supplying stimulating and fun activities.



Contact the Willcox office if you are interested in checking out one of the kits.

A PARENT'S ROLE IN 4-H

Share - Take an interest in your child's 4-H project and activities. Listen, look, and offer suggestions, but avoid the temptation to "take over" and do things yourself. Learning by doing is the 4-H way. Your child learns by his or her mistakes as well as successes, if you provide encouragement.

Prepare - Parents can assist by helping a child understand the value of having projects, record books, presentations, or officer duties done on time, in a proper way. Also, be sure your child learns the importance of letting some one know if he or she cannot follow through as expected.

Care - Parents are expected to support their child's participation in the 4-H program to the best of their ability and to abide by the policies, procedures, and standards of behavior set forth by the 4-H Youth Development Program. Arrange to attend programs and events where your child is taking part. Your presence shows that you consider your child, and what he or she is doing, very important.

Be There - Your child will gain more from 4-H by attending club meetings regularly and by getting involved in 4-H Activity Days, Judgings, County Fair, and many other activities. Parents can be part of 4-H, too. Don't just drop your youngster off at meetings - sit and observe. You are welcome! Get to know the club leader. Lend a hand wherever you can. However, try to remain objective and avoid "taking over" any activities. Remember, the club is for the kids.

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"LEADING FUN EFFECTIVE 4-H MEETINGS" JULY 11, 9:00-NOON REGISTRATION DUE TO DARCY JULY 2ND

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: (h) _____ (w) _____ CLUB: _____

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QUALITY ASSURANCE WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s): _____

Phone Number: _____ Club: _____

____ I(we) will be attending the QA workshop on July 18th in Benson from 9:00am - noon.
Due July 10th.

I am enclosing \$10 (per person) made payable to UA.

Send registration & payment to: Cochise County 4-H, Attn: QA Workshop, 450 S. Haskell, Willcox AZ 85643.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>June 2009</h1>						
	1 National 4-H Congress Application Due	2	3	4	5 - Shooting Sports Education Certification Workshop - Quilt 'til you Wilt Day Camp Deadline	6 - Shooting Sports Education Certification Workshop - Quality Assurance Training, 9:00-noon, Old Double Adobe School
7 - Shooting Sports Education Certification Workshop - National Citizenship Washington Focus	8 National Citizenship Washington Focus	9 National Citizenship Washington Focus	10 National Citizenship Washington Focus Livestock Judging Camp Registration Due	11 - National Citizenship Washington Focus - State FFA Leadership Conference	12 - National Citizenship Washington Focus - State FFA Leadership Conference	13 - National Citizenship Washington Focus - State FFA Leadership Conference - Quilt 'til you Wilt Day Camp, 8:30am-8:30pm, UA South
14	15 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber	16 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber	17 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber	18 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber Livestock Judging Camp	19 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber Livestock Judging Camp	20 - Sheep, Swine, Goat Tagging Day, 7:30-10, Wx Livestock Auction - Poultry Project Mtg, 10:30am, Willcox - Small Stock Superintendent Mtg 11:30 - Livestock Judging Camp
21	22 State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber	23 State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber	24 State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber	25 - State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber - DEADLINE TO OBTAIN MARKET/CARCASS HOGS & SHEEP	26 State FFA Leadership Camp, Heber	27 - Sheep, Swine, Goat Tagging Day, 7:30-10, Watkins, McNeal - Livestock Council Meeting, 10:00am Following tagging
28	29	30 - Small Stock Ownership Deadline for County Fair - 4H2O Art Contest Entries Due				

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<h1>July 2009</h1>						
			1	2 Registration for "Leading Fun Effective 4-H Meetings Due to Darcy	3 INDEPENDENCE DAY - OFFICES CLOSED	4
5	6 Natural Resource Outdoor Camp, Mingus Springs Camp	7 Natural Resource Outdoor Camp, Mingus Springs Camp	8 Natural Resource Outdoor Camp, Mingus Springs Camp	9 Natural Resource Outdoor Camp, Mingus Springs Camp	10 - Natural Resource Outdoor Camp, Mingus Springs Camp - Registration for Quality Assurance Training (7/18) Due	11 "Leading Fun Effective 4-H Meetings" - 9am-noon, Willcox
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Quality Assurance Training, - 9:00-noon, Cochise College Benson
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 - Ownership Deadline for Breeding and Prospect Cattle - Entries Due to Helen Kilpatrick for the English & Western Horse Shows on 08/01
26	27	28	29	30	31	AUGUST 1 Cochise Coyotes English & Western Horse Shows, 5:00pm, Benson