



Cochise County 4-H Connection

May 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.***

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COCHISE COYOTES 4-H ENGLISH & WESTERN HORSE SHOWS MAY 30, 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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CALENDAR:

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



Entry deadline May 23.

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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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SHOOTING EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

JUNE 5-7

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUTH CAMP LAKE MORMON, FLAGSTAFF

Registration is due May 8th.

Arizona 4-H policy requires that, prior to being recognized as a 4-H Shooting Education Instructor, volunteers must complete a Shooting Education Instructors Certification Workshop. This workshop is conducted once a year by volunteer instructors who have received special instructors training endorsed by the National 4-H Shooting Education Committee. More information can be found at <http://cals.arizona.edu/4-h/events.html#13>

"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. 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.

LIVESTOCK COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 27TH

There will be a Livestock Council Meeting following the tagging on June 27th in McNeal at 10:30am at the Watkins residence. Bring a dish to share.

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, McNeal, 9 to noon & July 18, Benson, 9 to noon.

"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.

RABBIT CAGE BUILDING

The small stock committee will be building rabbit cages at the Cochise County fairgrounds on Saturday, May 9th at 9:30am. Please join us.

POULTRY MEAT PENS

Meat pens show the member's ability to produce high quality meat for the table. A successful entry requires good management skills such as maintaining the proper environment, controlling disease, feeding good quality feed, and keeping good records. County wide project meetings will be held to help interested members in raising the meat pens. Members will start with six day-old chicks and raise them to about six to ten weeks of age. Out of this group of chicks, members will choose their best three birds to enter in the Cochise County Fair.

If you are interested in participating in the poultry meat project or just in learning more please email your contact information to Karen Bouchikas at kabouchikas@msn.com or call Susan at the 4-H office at 520-766-3601. The next meeting will be May 9, 1:00pm at the Cochise County fairgrounds.

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 beginning May 1. The contest 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.

NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS IN ATLANTA APPLICATIONS DUE May 20, 2009

ATLANTA - More than 1,300 teens from all over the nation will trek to Atlanta, Georgia in November 2009 to participate in the National 4-H Congress. The Congress is the flagship event of the 4-H program nationwide. At the Congress, the young people, ages 15-18 will attend educational programs and cultural events in Atlanta. They will hear from wonderful inspirational speakers. In addition more than 19 educational programs will feature topics that range from conflict mediation and effective youth leadership skills to biotechnology in agriculture and global environmental policies. All the youths attending Congress will be better able to lead in their own communities. They will gain experience not only from the educational programs, but also from the diversity of cultural experiences that Congress offers. They will also learn community service from a hands-on perspective. During Congress, the 1,300 participants will divide into groups and perform community service projects around the city. Gather with top 4-H members from around the country in Atlanta Georgia for National 4-H Congress. Tour the area, meet with national 4-H sponsors and in general have a great time.

November 27 - December 1, 2009, Atlanta Georgia
NOTE: The National 4-H Congress Packets are due to the County 4-H Office by or before May 20, 2009 - see www.national4-hcongress.com for details. Total cost for the trip is \$1800.00 with \$1200.00 paid by the Arizona 4-H Youth Foundation and \$300.00 by Cochise County 4-H Council, the youth cost is \$300.00. If interested contact the 4-H office for an application packet.

THE FESTIVAL OF HORSES OCT. 24-25

The Festival of Horses is hosting a youth weekend October 24-25 at the new Horseshoe Equestrian

Center in Queen Creek. They will have demos, clinics, a horse breed showcase and market place. Watch the newsletters for more information. You can also visit their website at: www.festivalofhorses.com.



Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow

Journey of Opportunities for Leaders of Tomorrow (J.O.L.T.) is an Arizona teen leadership conference which is held annually in Heber, Arizona, each June. This year the dates are June 15-19, 2009.

J.O.L.T. is for ALL teens from various organizations and backgrounds, ages 14-18 (or entering high school).

J.O.L.T. participants will enjoy activities that build trust, develop leadership, and improve communication skills. Teens will gather from all over Arizona to develop open-minded and positive attitudes. The dynamic staff (a youth and adult partnership), inspirational workshop speakers, and J.O.L.T. participants combine to make it a memorable week.

This year's conference will center around the theme: "MISSION POSSIBLE:" J.O.L.T. 2009!!

Participants will be transported to a world where team work, solving conflict peacefully, building positive relationships, and serving others are a way of life. The J.O.L.T. youth and adult staff

anxiously await the opportunity to open your mind to the many J.O.L.T. opportunities.

J.O.L.T. Fees: Registration ends June 1st or at 138 participants (filled on a first come basis).

Earlybird registration: received by April 15th - \$175.00

Regular registration: received by May 15th - \$190.00



Contact Darcy at (520)458-8278 ext. 2140 for a registration packet or questions, OR go on line to: www.cals.arizona.edu/4-h/jolt/index.html

Once your registration packet is complete, return it to Darcy in the Sierra Vista office.

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**HORSE ACTIVITY DAY REGISTRATION
DUE MAY 8TH**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Club: _____

The following individuals will be attending:

Name	JR OR SR
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Mail to: Jennifer Lewis
Horse Activity Day
7363 E Thuma Rd.
Sierra Vista, AZ 85650

Quality Assurance Workshop Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Phone Number: _____ Club: _____

___ I(we) will be attending the QA workshop on June 6th in McNeal from 9:00am - noon. Registration due May 29th.

___ I(we) will be attending the QA workshop on July 18th in Benson from 9:00am - noon. Due July 11th.

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>May 2009</h1>					1	2 - Steer Tagging Day, 8-10am, Watkin's, McNeal - Livestock Council Meeting, 10:30am (following tagging) - National Join Hands Day
3	4	5	6 Purina Mills "H.O.W." Workshop, 6-8pm, Sierra Vista	7	8 - Registration for Horse Activity Day Deadline - Registration Due for Shooting Education Certification Camp	9 - Rabbit Cage Building, 9:30am, Cochise County Fairgrounds - Small Stock Meeting, noon - Poultry Meat Pen Meeting., 1:00pm
10 Happy Mother's Day	11 AmeriCorps Week May 9-16	12	13	14	15 JOLT Regular Registration Due	16 Horse Activity Day, San Pedro Spirits - Lewis' (Hereford)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Entries Due to Helen Kilpatrick for the English & Western Horse Shows on 5/30
24	25 Memorial Day Holiday: Offices Closed	26	27	28	29 Registration for Quality Assurance Training (06/06/09) Due	30 English & Western Horse Shows, 5:00pm, Benson
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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, McNeal
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	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	19 JOLT Teen Leadership Conference, Heber	20 - Sheep, Swine, Goat Tagging Day, 7:30-10, Willcox Livestock Auction - Poultry Meat Pen Project Meeting, 10:30am, Willcox
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				