

4-H FOCUS

HANCOCK COUNTY

JUNE 1, 2022

Hello 4-H Families,

Happy first day of June! Did you know that June- Dairy Month started in 1937 as a way to distribute extra milk during the warmer months of summer. Sponsoring organizations established it as National Milk Month. In 1939, it became the official "dairy month" which we still celebrate today!

Here are a few fun dairy facts:

- 1) All 50 states and Puerto Rico are home to dairy farms
- 2) 95% of U.S. dairy farms are family-owned and operated
- 3) Cows drink 30-50 gallons of water each day
- 4) Top 5 dairy producing states are: California, Wisconsin, New York, Idaho and Pennsylvania
- 5) On average, cows produce 7 to 9 gallons of milk a day, or around 128 glasses



Be sure to say THANK YOU to all our Dairy Farmers!

Cloverbud Day Camp Is right around the corner! Thursday June 9, at the Hancock County Fairgrounds. Those who have signed up be sure to watch your email for more details about the day.

4-H Camp: Registration is still open, the fee to attend camp is \$250. There are still bus seats open at \$25.

Stay in the loop by: Having the latest 4-H Calendar. Go to go.osu.edu/hancock_4hcalendar for the latest date on everything. Anything updated will be in green to easily see the changes.

If you have questions, please call the office at (419) 422-3851 and we will do our best to answer your questions or point you toward a good and valuable resource.

Just a reminder for all... If you are not feeling well or have symptoms of an illness, please stay home from meetings or activities. We want to be sure that you can rest and recuperate, as well as make sure we are providing a safe and welcoming experience to those in the Hancock County 4-H Program.

As the 4-H year is underway this is a friendly reminder in making sure that we are all using the social media platforms in the proper manner. Social media is a great tool and resource for us to use, so please be sure we are all being respectful and polite.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

June 2	Goat & Sheep Tagging, 6-8pm	June 9	Dairy Feeder Tagging and Weigh-in, 6-9pm
June 4	Quality Assurance, 9am	June 10	Camp Counselor Meeting, 6-8pm
June 6	Sewing Clinic – Buttons, Closures, Zippers, & Questions, 6-8pm	June 12	4-H Meet and Greet, 2-4pm
June 7	Project Workshops, Time TBA	June 14	Livestock Judging Contest, 9am
June 8	Horse Council, 7pm	June 15	Junior Leadership Club, 7pm
June 9	Cloverbud Day Camp, 9am-2pm	June 17	Camp Counselor Meeting 10-3pm
		June 18	Hancock County PAS Show , 9am

PROJECT WORK:

Add/Drop Projects – June 1 was the LAST day to get these forms turned in.

Sewing Clinics – Joyce Schroeder, Master Clothing Educator, is offering sewing clinics this year. All clinics are from 6-8pm and are being held at the OSU Extension Office at 7868 County Road 140, Findlay. Be sure bring your sewing machine and adult sewing partner. RSVP to 419-422-3851

June 6 - Buttons | Closures | Zippers | Questions
June 21 - Sewing Help Night, Bring judging questions, Narration Sheet

ACTIVITIES:

Project Workshops: Will be held at the 4-H office on Tuesday June 7. The following project topics will be available: **10am-12pm** is Cake Decorating and Food/Nutrition projects, **1pm-3pm** is Woodworking and Self Determined, and **4pm-6pm** is Art and Overall getting ready for judging day. Please call our office to reserve your spot.

Livestock Judging Contest: The Livestock Judging Contest will be held Tuesday, June 14, at the University of Findlay Equestrian Farm located on US 68, starting with registration at 9am and the contest to follow. All members, regardless of livestock project, are invited to participate. Ribbons will be awarded to Junior (ages 8-11), Intermediate (ages 12-13), and Senior (ages 14 and up) Individuals and Junior Teams (ages 8-13) and Senior Teams (ages 14 and up).

Health and Safety Speaking Contest and Skits: This event will be held June 16 at the 4-H office and gives members the opportunity to practice for the district level where state fair participants are chosen. Ribbons will be awarded to Junior (ages 8-13) and Senior (ages 14 and up) Divisions. Please RSVP by calling our office if wanting to attend.

Health and Safety Individual Public Speaking Contest –

https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/Families/state_fair/Health%20%20Safety%20Speaking_8.pdf

Health and Safety Team Talk/Skit Contest –

https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/Families/state_fair/Health%20Safety%20Skits_5.pdf

Demonstration/Job Interview Contest: The Demonstration and Job Interview contests will take place July 18 at the 4-H office. Please RSVP by calling our office if you are wanting to attend. Ribbons will be awarded to Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Individuals and Teams. Juniors (ages 8-10) present an informative talk without the use of computer technology. Intermediates (ages 11-13) and Seniors (ages 14 and up) present an informative talk with or without the use of computer technology. For more information, go to https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/Families/state_fair/Communication%20Days_12.pdf

OTHER NOTES:

4-H Camp: The theme will be *"Gettin' Wild Western Style"*. Camp will be June 25-29 this summer. Registration is open and available to sign up all camp registration will be \$250. There is NO High Ropes course available this year. Remember to turn in all pages: Registration, guidelines, and health forms. Camp fees are payable to OSU Extension, Hancock County. There is a camp bus this year. It is \$25 to ride the bus and is a round trip. Bus check is payable to 4-H Advisory Council of Hancock County. Remember to submit your transportation bus form with your registration.

https://go.osu.edu/hancock_4-Hcamp

4-H Camp Ohio: is building a new high ropes course for 2022 and while we are not able to utilize the course, camp needs your help (or anyone who may LOVE 4-H Camp!) Every donation will help youth build confidence, communication, and teamwork as they complete 12 obstacles 30 feet above the ground. For more information and to donate, visit <http://go.osu.edu/campohioropes>. Updates regarding the status for the \$120,000 goal will be posted periodically on 4-H Camp Ohio's Facebook page.

LIVESTOCK:

Quality Assurance: All members with livestock projects are **REQUIRED** to complete Quality Assurance. Our final session will be June 4 starting at 9:00am at the Hancock County Fairgrounds in the NWO Show Arena (next to the hog barn). You must be on time and stay for the entire meeting. If June 4 does not work in your schedule, please feel free to contact one of the surrounding counties and check when their QA meetings are. Remember YQCA is also an option for anyone 12 and older as of January 1 of the current year. A QA course **MUST** be completed by July 10 for the Hancock County Fair and completed by June 6 for the Ohio State Fair.

Rabbit Projects: Reminder anyone taking rabbits to the fair must have at least one single rabbit in their possession by June 1. This rabbit must be registered with Bev Welty via email (bcwelty@msn.com) by June 1, along with stating the breed and tattoo with the exhibitor's name. EMAIL BEV TODAY!!

There will be a Rabbit Clinic following quality assurance on June 4. You can bring your rabbit or just come and watch, listen, and learn more about your project.

Dog Projects: Permission to participate and vaccination paperwork is due June 1.

<https://hancock.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/animal-project-resources/dogs>

Sheep and Goat Projects: Weigh in and Tagging will be June 2 located at the fairgrounds from 6pm-8pm. All sheep must be shorn.

All Dairy Beef Feeders: Tagging, vaccination and weigh-in for **ALL** dairy feeder and dairy-crossbred calves will be held June 9th from 6:00pm-9:00pm at the Hancock County Fairgrounds. Sponsors will cover the expense of the first two calves weighed in (dairy feeders: Hosler Corbin Insurance, dairy/beef crossbred: Boes Family Farms), exhibitor's will be responsible for any other calves vaccinated (\$8.00/calf). Exhibitors will also pay for mulch bedding to be provided at the fair at this time (\$10.00/calf).

New Horse Project Member Orientation: If you missed the mandatory new horse project member orientation on April 13, 2022, you will need to log into the EquiSTEP program, watch the helmet and sportsmanship videos and write a paragraph or two about what you learned. Submit that paper to either Lauren at burner-kitzler.1@osu.edu or Kathy at biery.12@osu.edu before you may ride at any riding meetings. The **"Horses, Safety, and You: How to Work With and Around a Horse Safely"** must also be completed.

Horse Projects: Those who did **NOT** attend the Horse Clinic on May 28, **MUST** complete the EquiSTEP video course using the link provided. <https://cfaesosu.catalog.instructure.com/courses/equine-safety-training-and-education-program-09-mz2-e41>. Once completed, drop off or email your certificate of completion to Kathy at biery.12@osu.edu. The course needs to be completed and certificate submitted by June 10.

Horse Projects: Hancock County PSA Show Bill and online registration are posted online at <https://go.osu.edu/hancockhorse>. If you can not attend the Hancock County PAS on June 18 register for an out of county PAS show at: https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6XqAvoXeG0p9OaG

YQCA: ONLY members 12 years old or older as of January 1 may complete YQCA. In the past, this has been a \$12 course. Go to <https://yqcaprogram.org> and find more information under MORE INFO >> YOUTH & PARENTS. Remember, we do not accept the "Test-out" version of YQCA and only members 12 years old and older as of January 1 may complete YQCA.

Important Note for YQCA: If you have completed YQCA we have no record, email certificates to Kathy to fulfill your QA requirements.

Ohio State Fair Virtual Skillathon: Registration is now open. The deadline to register is Tuesday June 21 at 11:59pm. To register and learn more, visit the website at <https://u.osu.edu/licking4h/2022/05/26/ohio-state-fair-virtual-skillathon-registration/>

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Meet and Greet Lauren: Join us on Sunday, June 12, at the Hancock County Ag Service Center from 2-4pm for a great afternoon with light refreshments. This will be opportunity to meet Lauren on a personal level and mingle with your 4-H family.

Parade: The village of Mt. Cory is celebrating their 150th year! On September 17, 2022, there will be a parade! This is open and welcome to all area 4-H clubs/ teams at school, scouts, twirlers etc. If you are interested in taking part in the celebration by joining the parade, please contact Michelle Risner at 419-348-2233 or risner4@woh.rr.com

Soccer Game: The Columbus Crew Stadium is hosting 4-H Day Sunday September 18 with kickoff starting at 1:00pm. If you are interested in attending this game contact our office for more information and for tickets!

Ohio 4-H Capital Day: This one day event will be held in Columbus at the state house on Wednesday, June 15. Programming will begin at 9:00am and the day will conclude by 5:00pm. Registration is open through June 6. The cost is \$10.00 to attend. To register visit <https://u.osu.edu/licking4h/2022/05/12/ohio-4-h-capital-day/>

Have a wonderful week!