

## 2015-2016 4-H Year

On **August 15th**, the 2015-2016 4-H year begins. This means you must enroll on 4-H Connect to be considered a member. Please refer to the other attachment on the email for enrollment instructions.

*If you need assistance with enrollment you may come by the extension office and enroll here.*

Returning members **must** enroll with the same user name and password as previous years. If you are a returning member, and create a new 4-H Connect account, it **will not** be able to be approved. If you have forgotten your password you may go to “**forgot password**” and you will receive an email with a new one. If you do not have access to your email, please come by the office so that we may assist you in resetting your password.

Remember that you must have a valid credit card in order to enroll. If there is an issue, I will send you an email and you will have to resubmit. **Do not** choose 4-H County/ Club Check as a choice of payment. Payment must be made with a Visa, MasterCard, or Discover Card.

Please make sure that you update your information accurately. Email is our primary source of contact. If your email address has changed, please make sure to update it on 4-H Connect. Please be sure to update phone numbers when reenrolling as well. It is crucial that school and grade level is up to date. It is necessary in obtaining academic eligibility for 4-H projects. If your school information changes throughout the school year, please log in to your 4-H Connect account and update it.

[Effective in September, the 4-H mailing list will be based on enrollment status.](#)

[If you are not enrolled on 4-H Connect by September you will NOT:](#)

- Be receiving newsletters or any other important 4-H updates.
- Be counted present at club meetings. Please make sure that you are enrolled and approved prior to attending a club meeting.
- Be permitted to participate in any 4-H projects. This includes animal projects for Stock Show.

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**Officer Training**

Any newly elected officer is required to go through the officer training. Officer training is scheduled for **July 31st at 9:00am at the Chaparral Wildlife Management Area.** If you have a conflict with that date please contact Richie to schedule a make-up training. You must have gone through the training by the time you take office for the new 4-H year.

**Rabbit Exhibitors**

**ATTENTION rabbit exhibitors:** If you are planning on showing a pin of rabbits this 4-H year, you should start looking for rabbit vendors. If you need assistance finding rabbits for this 4H year please contact Richie at the extension office at 830-876-4216.



**Shooting Sports**

Dimmit County Archery Project will begin on **August 1, 2015.** We will be conducting a mandatory safety training, and introduction to the archery project on August 1st at the Dimmit County Rifle Range from **8-Noon.**

4-H members are asked to have a parent present at the training, and at practice, regardless of age. The Club has purchased 12 re-curve bows to get everyone started, but if you have a bow and would like to bring it out that is fine. The contest offers several sub categories in the 2 contest that we will be shooting. The 4-H Archery project is open to any 4-H'er that is in 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- 12 grade, and we will be getting some practice in for preparation of our district contest next year. At this point in time, we will be practicing 1 a month, until January, then we will transition into rifle practice where we will have joint rifle and archery practice on the same dates.

**ATTENTION** parents interested in becoming shooting sports certified: There will be a Coaches 4-H Shooting Sports Certification Course held at the Chaparral Wildlife Management are on September 25-28. This training will be in our back yard, and a perfect opportunity for those interested in volunteering, and getting certified to assist in coaching. Disciples to offered include the following: shotgun, archery, rifle, and NEW PISTOLOLNOTE: IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH INTEREST TO FILL A CLASS THEY ARE SUBJECT TO BE DROPPED). For more information on this feel free to call the Extension Office and talk to Richie.

**State Fair of Texas  
Entry Deadline  
August 14th  
at the  
Extension Office.**

**Sheep and Goat  
major Show tag  
orders due on  
August 14th.**