April 2017

4-H Club Meetings for April 2017

Lipan 4-H - Thursday April 6th, at 6:30 pm at the Lipan Community Center

Young Riders - Monday, April 3rd at 6:30 pm, Reunion Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. April will be officer elections for the upcoming 4-H year.

Tolar 4-H - Tuesday, April 4th, at 6:30 pm at the Tolar First National Bank.

Lake Granbury Community 4-H - Monday, April 10th, at 7:00 pm at **Reunion Fair Grounds.**

Sharp Shooters 4-H - Meets every Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Reunion Fairgrounds, with regular business meeting on the of 1st Tuesday each month.

Cornerstone 4-H - 2nd Wednesday of every month at 3 pm at the Cornerstone Christion Academy. Meeting April 12th.

County Stock Show Checks

We have received the county stock show checks, and they are ready to be picked up. If you have delivered your buyers plaques and have turned in all your thank you notes you may come and pick your check up at the Extension Office.

Thank you to the United Way of Hood County for supporting the Hood County 4-H Program!

United Way of Hood County

Spring Contests

You can find out more about these projects on the District 8 4-H website: http://d84-h.tamu.edu. If any of these interest you as a 4-H'er or adult volunteer, please contact Marty or Kelli. We are happy to assist in any projects a 4-H'er wants to do, but it takes adult leaders & volunteers to help us make it happen. We are happy to help in any way we can.

Meat Judging

Age Divisions: Junior/Intermediate & Senior

District Contest Date: April 22nd

Learn science-based information to consider when evaluating and making decisions, as well as learning proper meat storage and handling procedures.

District Rifle Contest

Age Divisions: Junior, Intermediate & Senior

District Contest Date: April 29th

The District Rifle Contest is a competitive shooting contest with several different categories Seniors can qualify for State at the Texas 4-H Roundup

Range & Plant ID

Age Divisions: Junior/Intermediate & Senior

District Contest Date: April 21st

The range science project develops knowledge and skill in practical range and ranch management. The Plant ID contest familiarizes 4-H'ers with native pasture plants & grasses. Teams of 3-4 compete individually judge scenarios and identify plant specimens.

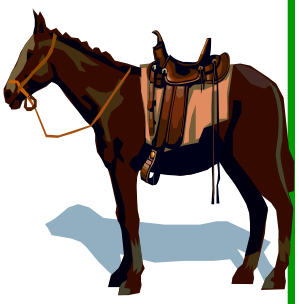
Livestock Judging

Age Divisions: Junior/Intermediate & Senior

District Contest Date: April 22nd

Livestock judging is the process of evaluating, selecting, placing, and learning the various livestock species–cattle, sheep, goats and swine. Judging is the foundation of any 4-H livestock project.

Horse Project Validation/Horseshow



Just a reminder of you want to show at the District or State Horse Show you will need to validate your horse by **April 15, 2017** cost is $10 per horse. There will be a late validation period between April 15th & May 1st, but the cost will go up to $20. Be sure to start transferring papers on any registered horse you may have purchased now so it will be done in time. You will upload your pictures and registration paper on your 4-H Connect profile. If you need help contact the office.

District Horse Show - June 19th—June 20th, 2017

Club Friend of 4-H

Don't forget each club will need to elect a Friend of 4-H and have their council representatives bring it to the May Meeting.

DISTRICT 8 4-H RIFLE CONTEST

Contestant Information

District Contest Information

Date: Saturday, April 29, 2017

Location: Leon County Gun Club
15295 County Road 224
Oakwood, TX 75855

Time: The Competitive Rifle Match Shooting will begin at 8:00am.
(Shooting times will be staggered)
The Provisional Light Rifle Match will begin following the completion of the Competitive Rifle Match.
A more detailed shoot schedule will be distributed after receiving entries.

Registration: Contact the Hood County Extension Office for entry information

Shooting Sports Extravaganza is now open on 4-H Connect!

Where: 4-H Center Brownwood, TX

When: April 22, 2017 with optional educational program Friday, April 21st

Cost: $25 (February 15—March 19)

This is a beginner match. It is intended for any age 4-H'er that only been involved in Shooting Sports for less than 2 years.

For more information call the Extension Office at 817-579-3280.

2017 County Roundup Contest

It is time to start thinking about spring contests. County Roundup offers a couple of great opportunities.

Educational Presentation—4-H'ers give a 6 to 12 minute presentation on a topic of their choice. This can be done with a partner or as an individual.

Share - The - Fun—This is our talent show. Individuals or groups can perform short acts or skits in the following areas.

1. Celebrate 4-H
2. Choreographed Routine
3. Dramedy
4. Musical/Instrumental
5. Poetry/Prose
6. Solo/Band Performance
7. Vocal

ENTRY DEADLINE: April 10th. Call the Office to enter.

Our **County 4-H Roundup will be on April 17, 2017**.

If you need help or want more details about contest rules please contact the office at (817) 579-3280.

Steer Validation

It is time to order Steer Tags for the 2018 Majors. Tag order are due **April 9th**. The cost is $18 per tag.

State Fair Lamb & Goat Validation

If you are interested in showing a Lamb or Goat at the State Fair we need your validation and tag orders by **April 18, 2017.** Tags are $16 each.

2017 Howard College Lamb & Goat Camps

We just received info for these two camps offered in Big Spring over the summer. These are great camps with tons of good information and speakers. The cost is $85 per person. You are responsible for your own lodging. Lamb Camp is June 4, 5 and 6th. and Goat Camp is June 11, 12 and 13th

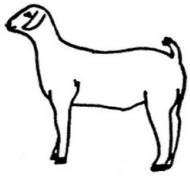
If you want more info, contact Marty.

Aggieland Lamb & Goat Camp

Join us in Aggieland for a FUN and EXCITING 3 day program dedicated to educating students on the fundamentals of feeding, nutrition, health, facilities, and selection with plenty of showmanship and Quality Counts information!

Lamb Camp: July 14-16, 2017
Goat Camp: July 21-23, 2017

Registration:
Register online starting March 20, 2017 via our website: animalscience.tamu.edu/about/facilities/sheep-center/youth-camps/



Cost:
Children $175 & Adults $75

For More Information:
Visit: http://animalscience.tamu.edu/sheepandgoats
Or Contact: Cheyanne or Ciarra at aggielandlambandgoatcamp@gmail.com
Phone: 979-845-7616

APRIL LIVESTOCK NEWS

Heifer Validation

If you are planning on showing a heifer at the Fall Shows that you did not validate in October you need to call the office by **April 18, 2017**

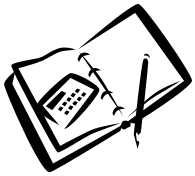
State Fair Barrow Tags

State Fair Barrow Tag orders will be due to the Extension Office by **April 26, 2017**

Cost is $18 per tag.

Livestock Raisers Association

The HCLRA meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm at the fairgrounds. We need more 4-H families to get involved with this group. They make the rules for the county show, up-keep the facilities and provide us a place and opportunity to show our projects. Next meeting is *April 17, 2017.*



Record Books and Awards Applications

Record Books and Awards Applications are due on June 9, 2017. If you are attending State 4-H Roundup, you will need to turn them in before we leave that week!

County Stock Show Update

Congratulations to all of our 4-H'ers who participated in the 2017 County Stock Show. 4-H'ers earned $81,625.49 in premiums & add-on money!

District Roundup

District Roundup will be on **May 6, 2017** in Reisel, TX.
If you want any help with your presentation, we are more than happy to do it.
DON'T WAIT until the last minute to ask. Our schedules fill up really quickly.

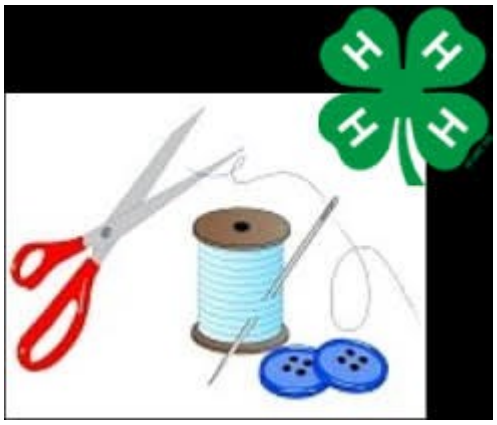
County & Club Officer Elections

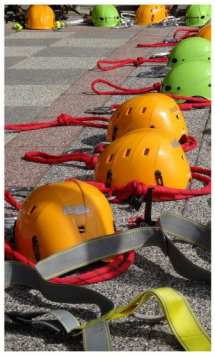
May is usually the month that we elect officers for the next 4-H year. If you want to run for a club officer position, you need to contact your club manager to find out the specifics. We will host County Council Officers in May. If you wish to be on County Council, you must be elected as President, Vice President, or County Delegate. Contact Ms. Pittcock if you have questions about County Council!

SAVE THE DATES

Hood County 4-H Camps

BYOSM (Bring Your Own Sewing Machine)
Friday mornings from 9-11 am in June & July...call Ms. Pittcock for more information
July 17-20, 2017 Food Camp

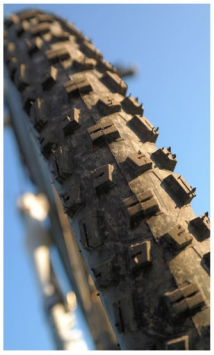




TEXAS 4-H
Outdoor Challenge

SEGUIN OUTDOOR
LEARNING CENTER

JUNE
16-18,
2017



CONTEST DETAILS

When: June 16-18, 2017
Where: Seguin Outdoor Learning Center
Registration: May 1-30 on 4-H Connect
Cost: $35 per
Link: https://goo.gl/yafsZ5

Rules and Resource Guide

Follow the guide, found on the page linked above, to learn more about the general rules, age divisions, event specific rules and descriptions, tentative schedule, firearm safety rules, and study resources for each event.

This guide is found on the 4-H Outdoor Education and Living Skills webpage. Choose the 'Contests' tab and select the Outdoor Challenge Rules and Resources Guide link.

2017 Events

Shotgun
Mountain biking
Archery
Fishing
Climbing
Kayaking
Outdoor Skills
Biologist Skills
Gear Judging
Outdoor Safety

SURGE! ('NOT' LEADERSHIP LAB)

Date: Wednesday, June 21-23, 2017
Location: Texas 4-H Conference Center
Brownwood, TX
For more information call the Extension Office at 817-579-3280

Cooke County 4-H 3-D Archery Tournament

When: May 27, 2017
Where: Gainesville, TX
8:00 AM Check-in & 9:00 AM Competition
$20 Registration Fee Per Bow
For more information call the Extension Office at 817-579-3280

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April 2017

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14—County Office Closed
17—County Roundup
21—District Range & Plant ID Contest
22—District Meat Judging Contest
22—District Livestock Judging
22—Shooting Sports Extrava-ganza
29—District Rifle Contest

May 2017

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6-District 8 Roundup

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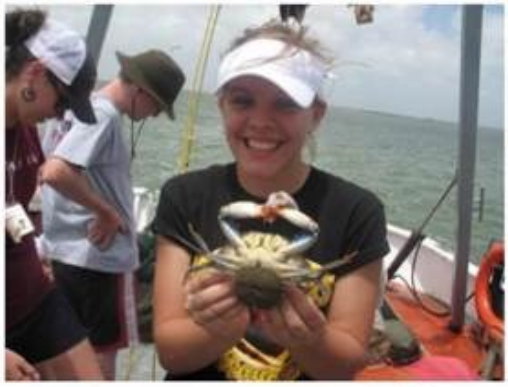
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP

July 16-22, 2017

Application Deadline:
May 15, 2017

Location:
Welder Wildlife Foundation
Sinton, TX

www.wildlifecamptx.org



The Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society's Wildlife Conservation Camp is designed for high school students who have completed the 9th grade or higher. Hands-on, outdoor activities are led by wildlife professionals.

Campers will study:

- wildlife and plant identification
- wildlife and habitat management techniques
- The North American Model of Wildlife Conservation
- conservation ethics & land stewardship
- wildlife trapping and surveying techniques
- predator-prey dynamics
- fishing
- hunter safety
- shooting sports and much more!

Contact: Andy James

wildlifecampdirector@yahoo.com

2017 SUMMER CAMPS

Texas 4-H Center

Lake Brownwood, TX

CAMP (GRADE COMPLETED)	ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE	REGISTRATION FEE YOUTH/ADULT
Horizons (grades 4-8)	June 25, 2 pm - June 29, 11 am	$280/$140
County Camp I	June 26, 2 pm - June 28, 11 am	$180/$90
County Camp II	June 28, 2 pm - June 30, 11 am	$180/$90
Mission Possible Mentor Training	July 5, 2 pm - July 6, 2 pm	$125
Mission Possible	July 6, 2 pm - July 8, 3 pm	$175/$100
County Camp III	July 5, 2 pm - July 7, 11 am	$180/$90
County Camp IV-Outdoor Adventure	July 10, 2 pm - July 12, 11 am	$180/$90
Prime Time Xtreme (grades 8-11)	July 11, 2 pm - July 14, 11 am	$230/$115
Prime Time I (grades 5-8)	July 16, 2 pm - July 19, 10 am	$230/$115
Prime Time II (grades 2-5)	July 19, 2 pm - July 22, 10 am	$230/$115
Fishing Camp	July 24, 2 pm - July 26, 2 pm	$220/$110

- All camp enrollment is based on grade completed in spring 2017
- 4-H membership is NOT required to participate in any camp
- Pay a deposit by June 14 or pay full amount
- Discount for registering by June 14

All adults must enroll as a 4-H volunteer have a verified background check and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.

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