

# 4-H Newsletter 6/23/2023

The Ashland County Extension Office is located at 110 Cottage Street, First Floor This is the same building as the Ashland County Commissioners and Board of Elections.

We are open:

Mondays 8:30-4pm

Tuesdays 8:30-4pm

Fridays 8:30-3pm

## FCS/Still Project Judging Sign Up

**For anyone taking a Still project, judging time is approaching. You may attend either date.**

**However, you must attend the July 18th judging to be considered for the opportunity to represent Ashland County at The Ohio State Fair.**

**To sign up for your FCS/Still Project Judging:**

**July 18, 4-8 pm:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4DAEA62EABF49-july2>

**August 2, 12-4 pm:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4DAEA62EABF49-august>

**Both judgments will be held in the Green Merchant Building on the Fairgrounds.**

## 4-H Club Advisors: Dairy Bar Sign Up is OPEN!

**Clubs may sign up to work their shift at the Dairy Bar. Please sign up by July 31.**

[Sign us Up!](#)

## Ashland County Jr. Fair Book is Here!

Please make sure you take time to read through the Ashland County Jr. Fair book before making your fair entries.

[2023 Ashland County Jr. Fair Book](#)

Online Jr. Fair Entries Will Open up on July 14 and Close on August 11. More information to follow.

## Community Service Opportunity at Antique Tractor/Toy show

The Ashland County Yesteryear Machinery Club is looking for some help during their antique tractor show. If your club would be able to assist them during any of the time slots below, please contact Mark at 419-685-4852.

-Friday July 7th 2pm -5pm to help vendors get in merchandise to their table/space

-Saturday July 8th 6am-9am to help vendors get in merchandise to their table/space

-Sunday July 9th 3pm-6pm to help vendors get merchandise to their vehicles and table teardown/clean-up.

## Extension Office Parking Lot Is OPEN!

The parking lot across the street from the Extension Office is now open!

## Skill-a-thon/Project Book/Interview Judging Help

We are asking for your assistance by volunteering to help with our judging weekend. The key to not having long lines to wait in at judging is adequate help. We would greatly appreciate you volunteering your time one or both days. Please call or email the office and let us know you would be willing to help. No experience necessary!

Volunteers for our judging events do not have to be volunteers, so please think outside the box and consider asking your spouse, parent, neighbor, friends to help. The only requirement is a desire to make a positive judging experience for our youth. Additional information will be given closer to the time. The dates for the judging weekend are August 19 & 20th.

Thank you for taking the time to assist if you can! We greatly appreciate our volunteers!

## Ohio State Fair Commercial Cattle Show Opportunity



**2023 OHIO STATE FAIR**  
**Commercial Cattle Show**  
**Saturday, July 29**  
Deadline for entries is July 21

**WHAT IS THE COMMERCIAL CATTLE SHOW?**  
The Commercial Cattle Show is an exhibition in which cattle are shown in a pen of three. Cattle will be evaluated on a live and carcass basis. Cattle will be shown in three groups: Native Beef, Beef of Dairy and Dairy. They must also be judged by sex.

**WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?**  
All exhibitors who are registered with county fair participants. There will be a junior and an open division. Youth under the age of 21 and registered youth groups are invited to participate in the junior division. All junior cattle will also be eligible to participate in the open division.

**HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?**  
Entries will open on May 16. You can enter online at [www.ohiostatefair.com](http://www.ohiostatefair.com) (May 16 - June 21 at 1 pm), or email Barb Price at [barb@ohiostatefair.com](mailto:barb@ohiostatefair.com) (June 21 10:00 am - July 21). Specify entry and show information available at [www.ohiostatefair.com](http://www.ohiostatefair.com). Note Commercial cattle do not need to be BVD tested.

**IMPORTANT CHANGES**

- Additional divisions
  - Beef x Dairy
  - Dairy
  - Show for the season
- Cattle fair opens on Thursday July 27
- All cattle must be in place by Friday morning July 28. Cattle will weigh Saturday morning and show Saturday afternoon.
- Changes to OFF exhibition areas to temporary cattle in the Ohio State Fair.
- Possible exhibition gates include Basin and Baynes. Additional sponsorship for 2023 and beyond.

For more information and a complete schedule of events visit [www.ohiostatefair.com](http://www.ohiostatefair.com)

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For more information contact Sam Roberts at (614) 412-0963

## Fair Booth Set Up

Advisors, it is time to let us know what size booth you would like for your club at this year's Ashland County Fair. Please return the form to the Extension Office by Friday, July 14.

[Fair Booth Information](#)

[Fair Booth Set Up Form](#)

## Livestock Skill-a-thon/Interview/Project Judging

You will be required to come to project Livestock judging before the fair with a completed record book! You may re-use a current project book and update the topics of interest, project activities, youth parent agreement etc. (dates will need to reflect current year) however you are going to be required to have CURRENT YEAR, completed records, for each livestock project!

For example:

- If you have two market goats, that is the same project and those records may be combined in the same book
- If you have a breeding goat and a market goat, those are separate projects and will require separate records. You may use a second project book OR you may use the following tool--2023 Livestock Record--in addition to your one book to meet the record keeping requirement for the second project. If you keep another form of electronic records covering these items, you may print and submit those at judging.

[2023 Livestock Record](#) : Use if you are re-using a project book more than one year or need an additional record keeping tool. This ensures you have current year records for each project.

The record component will make up a significant portion of the members grade and the expectation is that each 4-H member will have completed records. It is recommended that an adult should review the record prior to judging. For anyone taking a cake decorating project, the Ashland County Library has a wide selection of cake pans available for check out. There are basic shapes and many different character pans all free with your library card!

## Virtual Skillathons for Practice



The State has posted virtual skill-a-thons available for PRACTICE ONLY.

<https://ohio4h.org/animalsciences/ohio-4-h-skillathons>

## Dairy Clinic



## Ohio Administrative Code Livestock Exhibition Rules

When reviewing the OAC 901-19 (Ohio Administrative Code Livestock Exhibition Rules), here is a document to help clarify definitions and understand the expectations that must be met for all youth Junior Livestock Exhibitions in Ohio.

<https://ashland.osu.edu/sites/ashland/files/imce/Ohio%20Youth%20Livestock%20Exhibition%20Rules%204.17.23.pdf>

- **PLEASE NOTE:** counties may have ADDITIONAL rules in place and guidelines to meet, in order to be eligible to exhibit. For Example: *The deadline for Quality Assurance completion in Ashland Co. is June 1- even though it is well before the 45 day deadline outlined in this document*
- Please refer to Project Guidelines on our website and the Jr Fair Book for additional information on county specific rules.

## 2023 Ashland County 4-H Calendar

The 2023 4-H Calendar is posted on our website at: <https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/breaking-news>

## 4-H Newsletter

If you have a second email you would like to add to the list or need to change your email it is sent to, please use the link below:

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