4-H Newsletter 6/30/2023

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

The Extension Office will be CLOSED TUESDAY, JULY 4

Ohio State Fair Horse Show Qualifiers

If you have qualified in at least 2 PAS classes, you must complete the following action items by 1:00pm on Saturday, July1st to be eligible to show at the Ohio State Fair Junior Horse Show:

- Be a current member in good standing with their county/club/chapter.
- Submit their entry online through the Ohio State Fair website and pay their \$50 entry/stall fee.
- Upload their horse's negative Coggins test (dated on or after January 1, 2023) to their 4-H online account.
- Upload their EquiSTEP completion certificate to their 4-H online account.
- Upload any out-of-county PAS show forms to their 4-H online account.

4-H Volunteers



Please notify the Extension Office by August 11 if you have any members that have not met the 4-H Club attendance requirement or rabbit/poultry clinic requirement.

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 judgings will be held in Mozelle Hall 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!

Farm Credit Mid-America/Rural 1st Stock the Trailer

Fight the Hunger, Stock the Trailer with the Ashland County Jr. Fair Board!

The Ashland County Jr. Fair Board will once again be participating in the Farm Credit Mid-America/Rural 1st Stock the Trailer competition. Stock the Trailer is a statewide competition whose purpose is to collect food donations for hunger shelters and food banks around Ohio.

Sponsored by Farm Credit Mid-America, counties that participate in the event receive \$500 towards their Jr. Fair Board in addition to a chance to win other support based on how many pounds of food are collected. The county that collects the most pounds of food in each region receives \$5,000, the 2nd place county will receive \$3,500, and the 3rd place county will receive \$1,500. The statewide goal for the event is to collect 250,000lbs of food. Last year, 55 counties participated, collecting a total of 169,456lbs of food that went to 74 food banks.

The Ashland County Jr. Fair Board will begin collecting items for Stock the Trailer on August 19th and 20th during the 4-H Super Judging event held at the Ashland County Fairgrounds and will continue through the Ashland County Fair. Items that will be accepted at Super Judging are: cases of water, canned food, pasta sauce, peanut butter, pasta, other non-perishable items.

This year, the Jr. Fair Board's goal is to get in the top 3 for the region and collect more than the 4,920lbs that were collected in Ashland County last year. Please consider helping the Ashland County Jr. Fair Board reach those in need in our community by participating in the Fight the Hunger, Stock the Trailer event this year! Haley McNaull

Ashland County Jr. Fair Board Member

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 11 and Close on August 14. 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.

Over the Counter Medication Moving to Prescription

In 2023, remaining OTC "medically important" antibiotics will transition to prescription status. These products will no longer be able to be sold as OTC products and will only be available with a veterinary prescription and will need to be purchased from a veterinarian or a pharmacy.

The Ohio State University Fact Sheet:

https://ansci.osu.edu/sites/ansci/files/imce/files/Factsheets/OTC%20to%20Rx%20AS-Y-6-23.pdf

The above fact sheet may be helpful to families that own/exhibit livestock. It covers what is happening and why, what medications are impacted, lists **some things to make sure to have (e.g., VCPR-Vet Client Patient Relationship**), and steps to take to ensure that they have access to antibiotics commonly used.

Rabbit Clinic

There will be another opportunity to attend a Rabbit Clinic on July 20 at 6pm at the Fairgrounds Rabbit Barn. Reminder: You must attend at least one rabbit clinic in order to be eligible to show a rabbit at the fair.

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



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 reuse 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.

<u>2023 Livestock Record</u>: 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

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:

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_39M4tSvTalijniR

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