Wow! Fair is pretty much here. This newsletter has been put together to provide you with all the information you will need to be ready for the Crook County Fair. Within you will find a variety of forms that need to be filled out, information about dates and requirements, along with a few added opportunities for youth to participate in this year during county fair.

I would like to take this moment to remind you that fair is about the youth, it is about providing an opportunity for the youth to exhibit what they have learned all year. As a parent or volunteer, fair is not a time for teaching but rather a time to support and step back and allow the youth the opportunity to demonstrate. Fair is not about the ribbons, the premiums, or the sale checks, and it is definitely not about the competition factor, but rather is intended to serve as an educational opportunity. Keep this in mind as we go through fair together.

Also, it is has been expressed by numerous 4-H committees, during the post fair meeting from last year, and by many of you (parents, leaders and youth) that we make certain all rules are followed and adhered to in order to create the most positive atmosphere possible. Please keep this in mind as it is everyone’s responsibility to follow the rules, parent, leader, and youth alike. I also want to remind you that alcohol is strictly prohibited from all 4-H barns, around any 4-H animals, and during all 4-H events. There is a place designated on the fair grounds for people wishing to enjoy themselves with alcoholic beverages. Adhering to this rule, means you are showing respect for the youth, families, and 4-H volunteers participating in the 4-H program.

And lastly, fair week demands high levels of energy by all who are involved. As the week progresses, it is easy for certain levels of irritability to set in for both youth and adults. Having patience, being able to step back and take a breath, and keeping the program goals at the forefront (education, opportunities, life skills, etc) are easy ways to help remedy those moments when even the slightest hint of stress creeps in. Have fun and lets all enjoy the fair together.

Have a great month.

Jeremy Green, Crook County 4-H Agent
**Results!! Results!!**

**Clothing, Knitting and Crocheting Skills Contest**

Amy Desjardins received Champion for Clothing skills, Blue for Knitting, and Blue for Crocheting and Blue for Judging!!
Andrea Crider received a Red for Clothing skills and Blue for Judging!!

*Way to go girls!!!!!!!*

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**Presentation Contest Results**

**Juniors**

**Champion**—Kayla Pieren
**Reserve Champion**—Rachel Herber

**Blue**—
- Audrey Bernard
- Madeline Bernard
- Erin Bush
- Andy Carlson
- Nina Dunn
- Tiffany Fouste

- Kylla Green
- Chris Hall
- Taylor Hilderbrand
- Emily Kreachbaum
- Zachary Lawson
- Michaeline Mallot

- Erin Ornelas
- Analissa Peer
- Liam Pickhard
- Corenne Schultz
- Hannah Worlein
- Heather Worlein

**Red**—
- Frances Knop
- Jacob Koch
- Lily Ornelas
- Hunter Thompson

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**Intermediates**

**Champion**—Beau Worlein**
**Reserve Champion**—Kaitlin Brouhard**

**Blue**—
- Harli Bowers
- Analee Dunn
- Amy Desjardins
- Alyssa Green

- Brittney Herber
- Michael Kreachbaum
- Casey Little
- Alex Stellar**

- Tera Little
- Alicia Reynolds
- MeKenna Smith
- Emily Thompson

**Red**—

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**Seniors**

**Champion**—Armin Koehler**
**Reserve Champion**—Cierra Bowers**
**Blue**—Jake Macaree**

**State Qualifiers**
**The Record Book Page**

**NeedIng extra help with your record books?**
Patti Jo Bunch has been hard at work with 4-Hers already and still have a few days on the schedule to help more of you 4-Hers with your record books! Don’t miss out if you need help. The days remaining are:
June 2nd—for Projects other than livestock
June 9th—for Permanent Record help

You are welcome to come any time between 9am and 3pm, just please be mindful to the people that are receiving help when you arrive.

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**FINAL RECORD BOOK TURN IN DATES ARE: JUNE 24TH THRU JULY 1ST!!**

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**What happens if you DO NOT turn in your record books?**
You will not be eligible for any awards or premiums and you would not be able to sell your market animal at the auction. Also, for the intermediates and seniors, you would not be eligible to go to state fair with your project. You would be able to be at fair but it would be only as an educational experience. So—don’t let this slip by! Get your records done and turn them in to the Extension office before July 1, 2009!!!!!!!!!
**Fair Information**

**What needs to be done prior to fair?**

1. Record books turned in prior to July 1, 2009
2. For Horse Fair—consent forms turned in by July 10, 2009 if you plan on entering Cow working, Roping, Gymkana Events, Hunt Seat Over Fences. The Horse Declaration forms should have been turned in by April 24, 2009.
3. 4-H Exhibitor Entry Form needs to be completed prior to July 10, 2009 and turned into the Extension office. See attached form.
4. Animal stall/pen count form and fees are due by July 10, 2009 to the Crook County Fairgrounds office. See attached form.
5. Attend the Pre-Fair meeting that is for ALL leaders, members and parents on Monday July 20, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
6. Get your FAIR BOOK printed off and read through it prior to fair so you are ready to go! The fair book is now available online at: http://extension.oregonstate.edu/crook

**Herdsmanship for the Crook County Fair**

If you are interested in being a Herdsmanship judge for the County Fair or helping with the process, please let the Extension office know. This is great fun and gives you the opportunity to see all sorts of different projects!!

**Barnyard Snack Shack**

The Crook County 4-H Leaders Association is seeking volunteers for a committee to organize and run the Barnyard Snack Shack at fair. The Snack Shack offers low cost snacks/drinks and "Herd Bucks" for herdsman ship awards/winners. The Snack Shack usually has clubs take time slots to run the concession during the day. It offers the kids a great learning experience with customer service, handling money, handling food, responsibility and pride. It is a great program and we would like to keep it going, if we can get just a few people to volunteer to coordinate the efforts (more people = less work) we will be able to keep this opportunity alive. If you are interested in being a part of this committee please contact Jeremy Green at the Crook County Extension Office, 447-6228 or at jeremy.green@oregonstate.edu

**GET YOUR 4-H STEERS AND/OR HEIFERS READY FOR FAIR!!**

Riley Cattle Hoof Trimming will be available to trim your 4-H Steers and/or Heifers at the PI Livestock Show on Friday, June 19, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. The cost is $25.00 per head. You don’t have to be showing at the PI to take advantage of this great opportunity!!
Live Ultrasound Carcass Contest- NEW at this Year’s Fair

This contest is new for this year. It is a carcass contest that is performed while the animal is still alive using ultrasound equipment. Cash awards will be given for winners of the contest. First prize will be in the area of $125-$150 with 2nd and 3rd places also being awarded ($ amount is dependent upon the number of participants). You definitely do not want to forget to enter this contest.

Objectives

• To provide educational information for 4-H Livestock participants on project animal carcass quality
• To provide education for program participants on USDA Meat Animal Specifications
• Increase public awareness on the quality of meat animals produced by 4-H members.

How does real-time ultrasound work?

Real-time ultrasound is the functional use of high frequency sound waves, to measure carcass merit of the live animal. These waves are emitted from a probe that is tightly held against the animal’s body. The sound waves penetrate the body to various depths before bouncing back off of different tissues. A video image is instantly produced to represent the tissues & densities that reflected the sound waves.

Livestock Projects, New Requirement

By Barbi Riggs—Crook County Livestock Agent

September 30, 2008 United States Department of Agriculture initiated Country Origin Labeling (COOL). This is a federal law that requires retailers notify their customers of the country of origin of beef (including veal), lamb, pork, chicken, goat and some other agricultural commodities.

What does this have to do with 4-H? If you are going to sell a lamb, goat, pig, chicken or steer you must provide documentation to the packer that will prove where the animal was born and raised. Likewise, breeding animals that are purchased off farm should also be accompanied with an affidavit as these animals may at some point be sold for harvest. Here are some tips to make sure you comply with the law:

IF you purchase your animal: Have the seller sign an affidavit (available in the Extension Office) that clearly states the origin of the animal. Keep this document in you record book. It is a good idea to make a 1-2 copies of this completed affidavit. The original should accompany the animal at time of sale.

AT time of Sale: You must sign an affidavit that clearly states the origin of the animal and the countries in which it has been reared. Other documents that are helpful (NOT required): Change of ownership document, bill of sale, birth record and health records.

The Extension Office has copies of the affidavit that is required. Stop by and pick them up before purchasing your market projects. If you have question call or email me: 447-6228, barbi.riggs@oregonstate.edu.
Fair Information

Camping for Fair

Dry camping only in the Outdoor Arena Infield.
Fee: $15.00 per day to be paid to the
Crook County Fairgrounds office before noon on
August 5, 2009.

There will be Barnyard Olympics this year at fair!!!
Water guns and buckets
Bobbing for apples
Three legged races
Wheelbarrow races
And more........................

Camping for Horse Fair

Fees will be:
$15.00 per day for dry camp
$21.00 per day for hook up for water and electricity
(these fees are to be paid to the Crook County
Fairgrounds before 4:00 p.m. on July 24, 2009)

Stall Fees for Horse Fair

Stall fees this year will be $12.00 per stall with the
understanding that all participants will be responsible for
supplying their own bedding and for cleaning of the stalls at
the end of Horse Fair. Any questions please call Kim at the
Extension office. 447-6228
Upcoming Event Calendar

OSU Summer Conference Registration Ends 6/1/09
Juniper Jackpot 6/6/09
Leaders Association Monthly Meeting 6/8/09
4-H Food Skills Contest 6/12/09-6/13/09
Record Book Mandatory turn-in 6/24/09-7/1/09
OSU Summer Conference, Covallis, OR 6/24/09-6/27/09
4-H Fashion Revue 7/7/09
Cook & Colleen Campout for Kids 7/8/09-7/10/09
Leaders Association Monthly Meeting 7/13/09
Pre-Fair Meeting All Leaders, Members, Parents 7/20/09
2009 Crook County Horse Fair 7/24/09-7/25/09
2009 Crook County Fair 8/5/09-8/9/09

Check out the new and improved Crook County Website at:
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To the entire family of:

Don't forget to download and print your exhibitor entry forms and stall/penn request forms!!!
Due by July 10, 2009
Download at: http://extension.oregonstate.edu/crook