

Douglas Doins'



Oregon State University Extension Service Douglas County March-August 2015 4-H Newsletter

Calendar of Events

March 2015

- March 1: Steer Possession Deadline for Market Steers
- March 1: National 4-H Congress Applications Due
- March 2: 4-H College Scholarship Applications Due by 5 PM
- March 2: Leaders Association Executive Board Meeting 6 PM, Extension Office
- March 2: 2015 Western Region Leaders E-forum 6:30-8:00 PM, Place TBA
- March 3: Lamb Show Committee Mtg. 5:45 PM Extension Office
- March 7: Steer Weigh-ins-Multiple Locations
- March 6-7: Shooting Sports Training-Grants Pass
- March 18: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM, Extension Office
- March 22-25: Experiencing Citizenship-Youth Opportunity
- March 28: Ranch Program; Heart's Desire Ranch; 9-noon

April 2015

- April 1: Market Lamb Possession Deadline
- April 4: Market Lamb Weigh-ins
- April 6: Project Leader Meeting, OSU Extension Office, 6:00 pm Leader Education 7:00 pm General Meeting
- April 7: Lamb Show Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm, OSU Extension Office
- April 11: Dog Bowl, Extension Office 2:00 PM
- April 15: Teen Leadership Team Meeting, OSU Extension Office, 7:00 pm
- April 24-25: Camp Counselor Training for Resident Camp at Camp Myrtlewood
- April 24-26: Spring Horse Classic, McMinnville, OR

May 2015

- May 1: **NEW! NEW! NEW!** Enrollment Deadline; All 4-H Members Need to be Enrolled by Today
- May 1: Market Swine & Horse Enrollment Deadline
- May 1: Registration for Summer Conference Opens
- May 1: **NEW! NEW! NEW! ALL** Livestock, Horse and Dog Leases Due/Horse Declaration List Due
- May 1: Swine Possession Deadline
- May 2: Market Swine Weigh-ins-Multiple Locations
- May 4: Leaders Association Executive Board Meeting 6 PM, Extension Office
- May 5: Lamb Show Com. Mtg. 5:45 PM Extension Office
- May 7: Market Auction Committee Meeting
- May 20: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM, Extension Office
- May 25: Memorial Day, Office Closed

June 2015

June 1: 4-H State Ambassador Applications Due
June 1: Project Leader Mtg. 6 PM-Fair Orientation Meeting, 7 PM Main Meeting, Extension Office
June 1: Registration for Summer Conference Due
June 6: Lamb Show, Douglas County Fairgrounds
June 17: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM
June 24-27: State 4-H Summer Conference
June TBA State 4-H Shooting Sports Contest

July 2015

July 1: Fair Registration Entry Deadline
July 3: 4th of July Holiday Observed, Office Closed
July 7-10: 4-H Camp, 4-6 grades, Camp Myrtlewood
July 9: Market Auction Committee Meeting; 6:15 PM, Ext. Off
July 13: Mandatory Horse Leader Meeting, 6 PM Ext. Off.
July 15: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM
July 21: Superintendents' Potluck, 6 PM, Exhibit Building, Douglas County Fairgrounds
July 24: State Fair Horse Gaming Qualifications; Backen's Arena
July 25: Fair Fix-up Day, 9AM -Noon, Douglas County Fairgrounds
July 25: Cooking Contests, Fashion Revue, Ready to-wear; FG times to be announced
July 26: Horse Fair Qualification; 9 AM-3 PM FG

August 2015

August 3: Static Exhibit Check-in and Judging 10 AM; Fair Passes Available to Purchase
August 4: Animal Vet-check and Move In; Fair Passes Available to Purchase
August 5-8: Fair Open to Public
August 11: Horse SF Delegate Meeting time TBA
August 17: State Fair Entries Taken to Salem
August 27: Fair Follow-up Meeting, 5:30 PM, Extension Office
August 27: Horse State Fair Move-in
August 28-Sept 2: Horse FG Shows

September 2015

September 7: Labor Day, Office Closed
September 9: State Fair Items Pick-up at Noon, Extension Office
September 14: Leaders Association Executive Board Mtg. 6 PM, Ext. Office
September 15: **NEW! NEW! NEW!** Award Nominations; Record Book Contests & Club Financials Due
September 15: **NEW! NEW! NEW! PREMIUMS** from Lamb Show and Fair available for pick-up at the office
September 16: Teen Leadership Meeting 7 PM

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Over the past few months I've had the pleasure of meeting with many of our leaders during our "leader talks" that were initiated this 4-H year. I have gotten some great ideas, good information, positive feedback and a rare chance to actually visit with you. I still have some more of you to meet with, so please make sure to get in touch with me during this next month. I'm trying to think of a nice way to say this, but no matter how it's said it may seem harsh to some, BUT, if you don't set up a meet time your re-enrollment as a leader for the next 4-H year is in jeopardy. If you are a resource leader, a meeting isn't required but you're more than welcome to schedule a meeting if you like.

After looking over responses from leaders we are trying to address some of the needs that leaders think need to be met. There is no guarantee that we can do everything suggested, but when we see a reoccurring theme we will work to meet the need as possible.

From the feedback from leaders I have heard a resounding answer that the weekly T-Time has been a success. My goal was to have something that was current and informative; it looks like it has met the goal. In light of that, the *Douglas Doins'* is going to become a bi-annual newsletter. Besides being time consuming, labor intensive and costly by the time it reaches your mailbox it doesn't have the up-to-date information that can come out on a weekly basis. After this mailing the *Douglas Doins'* will be available to pick-up at our office or will be found on our website. If you are one of the few who does not receive email and are not receiving the T-Time contact either Holly or me and we will be happy to try to work out a solution. Remember, the T-Time, along with its attachments, can be found on our website at:

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/4h/ttinenow>

On another positive note, our Static Exhibit Building workshop held on Presidents' Day was a huge success. Thank you to all who helped and attended.

Please make sure to read about our contests dates for cooking, fashion revue and ready-to-wear. We are hoping to see a LARGE turnout in these areas.

Keep up the good work! We wouldn't be the great 4-H program we are without all of you!

Teresa

Teresa Middleton
4-H Agent

4-H NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEADERS

April 6th and June 1st are our next Project Leader Meetings (PLM). Remember you need to attend a minimum of one PLM per year to maintain you leader status. If you have questions or concerns about that please contact Teresa. We will be providing an extra educational portion to the meetings beginning at 6:00 pm followed by the general meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm. The June meeting will have a Fair Orientation meeting beginning at 6:00. All PLM are held at the Extension Office.

TEEN INFORMATION

Camp Counselors

We will be partnering with Coos County again this year for our resident camp for 4th-6th graders. Any 4-H teen in grades 9-12 can apply to become a Camp Counselor. Applications are available in the office or contact Teresa directly.

SUMMER CAMP

Resident Camp

Camp will be the week of July 7-10 4-H camp is open to all youth who have completed the 4th, 5th or 6th grade. You do not have to be a current 4-H member to attend. This year's theme is National Parks Road Trip. Camp is located at Camp Myrtlewood outside Bridge, Oregon. Registrations form will be available later in the spring. Make sure to check our website and/or T-Time for more current information.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

Let us know!

If you are a breeder and have 4-H project animals, particularly market pigs and lambs to sell, please contact the Douglas County OSU Extension Office at 541-672-4461 or by e-mail: laurie.michaels@oregonstate.edu

We keep a list of potential breeders and give out names and contact information to those 4-H members who ask.

Market Animal Registration Requirements

All market animals in Douglas County will be weighed/tagged on the Saturday following the possession deadline. This requirement is listed on the 2015 4-H/FFA Rotary Auction Market Guidelines that are available from your 4-H leader, FFA advisor or the OSU Extension Office or website: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/4h>

The possession deadlines and weigh-in/tagging dates are as follows:

Market Steer – Possession Deadline: March 1st / Weigh-in & Tagging date: Saturday, March 7th

Market Lamb – Possession Deadline: April 1st / Weigh-in & Tagging date: Saturday, April 4th

Market Swine – Possession Deadline: May 1st / Weigh-in & Tagging date: Saturday, May 2nd

The weigh-in and tagging registration ensures that youth members are not switching or selecting animals after the deadline and gives youth members their starting weight so they can determine the proper rate of gain for their animal. Multiple weigh-in/tagging locations will be available throughout the county, each manned with a coordinator who will record the data. Proposed Budget Sheets are due on the weigh-in/tagging day or within 10 days following the possession deadline. Weigh-in/tagging information will be sent to all enrolled 4-H members and leaders approximately one month prior to the weigh-in/tagging day. Youth who are not enrolled by that time will have to get the information from their 4-H leaders. Be sure and get a copy of the current market auction guidelines.

Each 4-H and FFA member registered with a market animal project will be asked to sign a Market Animal Affidavit agreement in which you agree that you have followed the guidelines listed below:

- The animals have not been fed “prohibited” mammalian protein (i.e.: ruminant meat and bone meal) as defined by FDA CFR 589 2000
- All antibiotics are used under the auspices of a veterinarian comply with FDA regulations and not used solely for the purpose of growth promotion
- Animals have at all times been handled properly and humanely
- Participants have abided by the Douglas County 4-H/FFA Show Ring Code of Practice
- Signed media release

Completed Market Animal Affidavit forms shall be submitted no later than May 1st for lambs and July 1st for beef and swine members in order to be eligible to sell in the auction. These forms are available from the Extension Office or online at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/4h>

Enrolled 4-H members will receive a copy with their market weigh-in/tagging materials by mail approximately 30 days prior to the weigh-in/tagging date.

Livestock Insurance is HIGHLY Recommended for Youth Livestock Projects

Market Auction Guidelines outline that if your market project animal dies or becomes ill 30 days before the auction date, either before Lamb Show or County Fair, that NO replacement requests will be granted. Therefore, we are HIGHLY recommending that Market Project participants purchase Livestock Insurance. Livestock Insurance is a type of insurance designed to cover losses resulting from the death of livestock.

In most cases livestock is covered if death results from disease, accidental injuries, fire, lightning, and natural disasters. It is important to read the complete policy information to determine specific coverage and applicable rates. Cost is usually based on the selected value of the member’s animal. When determining this value, decide what the animal will be worth during the total time of the project. Maximum settlement values are specified for all species of livestock.

Livestock insurance is available from a number of different companies. Some 4-H members may be covered under family insurance policies; others may wish to purchase individual policies. Locally, Country Financial provides a “Blue Ribbon Policy” especially designed for 4-H and FFA project animals. Forms are available at the Extension Office or online at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/4h>

**WEIGH-IN/TAGGING SITES & COORDINATORS
2015**

STEERS - MARCH 7TH

GLIDE: Don Santos/541-496-3872
(by appointment)
Santos Ranch, Glide

ROSEBURG: Todd Barnett/541-679-5047
(8-10AM)
Melrose @ Abby Broughton's Ranch
2600 Melrose Rd.

EKTON: Braden Groth/541-740-1831
(by appointment)
Elkton Community Scales

UMPQUA: Drew Fairbairn/541-643-7101
(9-11AM)
Banducci Scales, Umpqua

DAYS CREEK: Brian Arp/541-825-3550
(10-11AM)
Michaels Ranch, Days Creek

LAMBS - APRIL 4TH

GLIDE: Don Santos/541-496-3872
(10AM-1PM)
Santos Ranch, Glide

ROSEBURG: Megan Dilson
(9AM-12PM)
Laurence's Red Barn, Melrose

SUTHERLIN: Wes Crawford/541-459-7628
(10AM-12PM)
Sutherlin High School

EKTON: Braden Groth/541-740-1831
(by appointment)
Elkton Community Scales

WINSTON: Judy Thompson/541-679-5730
& Earl Esler/541-530-4698
Brockway School, Winston

DAYS CREEK: Brian Arp/541-825-3296
(10-11AM)
Days Creek School, Land Lab

HOGS - MAY 2ND

GLIDE: Don Santos/541-496-3872
(10AM-12PM)
Santos Ranch, Glide

ROSEBURG: Britney Virtue/541-430-0508
(9AM-12PM)
Laurence's Red Barn

SUTHERLIN: Wes Crawford/541-459-7628
(10AM-12PM)
Sutherlin High School

YONCALLA: Steve Wuerger/541-836-2601
(by appointment)

WINSTON: Earl Esler/541-530-4698
(8AM-12PM)
Brockway School, Winston

DAYS CREEK: Brian Arp/541-825-3296
(10-11AM)
Days Creek School, Land Lab

GLENDALE: Tim Forrester/541-787-0543
(by appointment)
Andy Owen's Horse Barn

Fair News

Contests

With the fair schedule being four days instead of five, we realize that it can cause schedule conflicts for those members who would like to participate in certain contests but are unable to do so. To help this situation we are going to try holding a few of our contests before fair this year. Cooking (mini-meals), Fashion Revue and Ready-to-Wear will be judged on Saturday, July 25th. The contests will be held at the Exhibit Building. Start time will be dependent upon the number of entries we receive. We will also be implementing a \$5.00 hold charge for each contest a member registers for. The money will be returned to the member when he/she shows up for the contest. This is to help ensure participation and also recoup the cost of paying a judge if members back out at the last minute. We are only accepting cash payments.

Fair Fix-Up Day

After a year's reprieve we will again be participating in Fair Fix-up Day. Plan to attend on July 25th. As of now we plan to work from 9-noonish. The contests will either begin after the fix-up or start during, again, dependent on the number of entries we receive. Keep up to date with the information by checking T-Time and attending our June Project Leader Meeting.