



Wasco County 4-H Newsletter



June 2008



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 4-H GRADUATES!

We are honored to announce the Wasco County 4-H graduates of 2008. We are extremely proud of you and wish you the best of everything for your future. Do know you will be missed and are welcome back as volunteers at any time! Special kudos to those members (marked with asterisks) who have been in 4-H for nine or more years!

*Andrea Ashbrook
Julianne Breckterfield
*Kandis Despain
Sarah Ferrer
*Maggie Goter
Samantha Hege
Olivia Jacobs
*Kayla Magill

Jeffrey Markman
*Bailey Maxwell
*Kasey McCullough
*Victoria Renner
*Quinn Simer
Sydney Stelzer
*Jerod Warnock
*Chelsea Wooderson

“PREPARE FOR FAIR”

MANDATORY MEETING FOR ALL LEADERS

In our continued efforts to ensure as smooth a county fair as possible, I have set a date and time for a **mandatory** leader’s meeting.

All superintendents, Jr. superintendents and club leaders need to attend this meeting (parents are welcome).

We will be focusing on county fair including entry procedures, new policies and procedures, and project area updates. We will also answer any questions regarding fair.

Date: Tuesday July 8
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Columbia Gorge Community College, Building Two, Third Floor Lecture Hall

Calendar of Events

June

- 6 Goat/Sheep/Swine Weigh-in, 3-6 pm, Auction Yard
- 7 Goat/Sheep/Swine Weigh-in, 8-11 am, Fairgrounds
- 10 Leaders Association Mtg., Rm. 2.273, 7 pm
- 11 Horse Leaders Mtg 6:00 pm Extension Office
- 15 Teen Council Mts, 3:30pm, Extension Service
- 18-21 4-H Camp Morrow
- 23 New Leader Training, 9:30am, Extension Office
- 25-28 OSU Summer Conference
- 29 Roping Clinic, KL Schannos, 9:00 am—2:00 pm
- 30-7/3 Explore the World of 4-H Day Camp, CGCC Café

July

- 8 Mandatory Leaders Mtg.
- 18 Small Animal weigh-in & tagging, 6:30—8:30 pm, CGCC
- 21 **Fair entries due at Extension Service by 5 p.m.**
- 27 Roping Clinic, KL Schannos, 9:00 am—2:00 pm
- 28 Fair Supt., Jr. Supt. & Clerk Mtg., 6:30 pm, Spooky’s Pizza

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT... IMPORTANT CHANGES TO CAMPING RESERVATIONS By Denise Minson

The Fairboard is trying very hard to listen to all of your suggestions on how to make our fair more enjoyable for you and the public. One of the first steps towards this is the establishment of camping rules. Each and every camp site will be required to sign camp rules, will be allowed only two vehicles per camp site and a permit will be issued. All extra vehicles will need to park in the fair parking lot at the east end of the fair grounds. The main gate will be used for campers and contestants only.

Also, to make things easier and less confusing, each group will have its own specific time frame in which to email reservations to Larry Titus. *Please do not call Sid or the Fairgrounds office to make reservations.* They will be accepted by email only. If you do not have email access, you can call the Extension Office with the required information and they will email Larry for you.

Please address your email during the appropriate reservation time to: wascocofair@mccog.com. In your email, please include your top three camping spot choices (i.e. 14a, 18c, 19d) and the length of your RV.

Reservations will be available beginning June 8th and will be accepted as follows:

- Fair Superintendents: June 8th – June 14th (Larry will have a list)
- 4-H Contestants/Families: June 15th-June 21st
- All others: beginning June 22nd



COMPLETED ANIMAL HEALTH RECORDS A MUST TO SELL YOUR ANIMAL AT FAIR

Every 4-H member who brings animals to the initial weigh-in will receive (or, in the case of steers, already received) a species specific health record form. This form is to be used to track all treatments given to your market animal, including worming and vaccinations. The record is to start from the day the animal was born. This means you may have to contact the person you purchased the animal from for the information. The form must be accurately completed and returned with your fair entry form, or at the very latest, during the final weigh-in at fair. Any animals without an accurately completed health form will not be sold at the auction. So, please, do not lose the form and remember to return it!

CATTLE SEMINAR ON JUNE 19TH

Increasing calf value with age and source verification

The OSU Extension Service and Oregon Cattleman's Association are co-sponsoring a breakfast discussion from 6:30 to 11:00 am on Thursday, June 19 in Madras. The cost is \$10.00 if you pre-register or \$15 on site.

For more information, see the OCA website or call the Crook County Extension Service at 541-447-6228. I would really like for someone from our county to attend this meeting and fill us in on the details of this program. Please let me know if you are interested.



THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR 4-H CAMPS!

Camp Morrow There is still time to register for the 4-H Summer Camp held at Camp Morrow from June 18-21st. Lots and lots of fun activities are planned especially for you!! Figure out who 'done it' in the CSI Nature Style class, bake an apple crisp in your newly built solar oven, learn archery, do some leather work, learn to fish and how to survive in the wilderness, participate in the 4-H Summer Olympics and play in and on the water. Don't miss this super fun and memorable event. Bring a friend! Everyone in the 4th-6th grades are welcome.

Explore the World of 4-H day camp will be held Monday through Thursday, June 30th – July 3rd from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Columbia Gorge Community College cafeteria. Use GPS to find the hidden treasure, build bird feeders or houses, rocket and lego robots. Learn the basics of sewing and create your own lunch bag, serve on the lunch crew while learning food preparation and nutrition, learn digital photography and create a scrapbook recording your fun week and much, much more. Bring a friend and come play with us. (The cost for all four days including lunch is \$60.)

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR

We need you! The Wasco County Fair is a very important event for all 4-H members, parents, leaders and volunteers. We want it to be a positive experience for all participants and attendees and need your help. All incoming 9th grade to outgoing 12th grade members can apply to be a Junior Superintendent.

Though the job doesn't pay, it does come with perks: authority, awards and a special t-shirt, not to mention the feeling of accomplishment and confidence. Those eligible received a mailing that included an application form. I am extending the deadline to June 9th. It will be a great experience and a lot of fun!

REMINDER: LIVESTOCK AUCTION WEIGH-IN

If you intend to show a market lamb, hog, or goat at the 2008 Wasco County Fair, your animal *must* be weighed and tagged at one of the county weigh ins. Official weigh-ins will be on Friday, June 6th from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at The Dalles Auction Yard or on Saturday, June 7th from 8:00-11:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds.

2008 REGIONAL LEADER FORUMS IN OREGON

All 4-H volunteers, leaders, teen volunteers, parents, and staff are invited to the 2008 Regional 4-H Leader Forums. Three in-depth topics will be offered at four locations. Each educational track will include: interactive learning; sharing ideas and asking questions; discovering resources; applying learning; and connecting to communities. Participants will receive resource materials to use and share locally, as well as 4-H mementos of appreciation for volunteer time and talent. A \$10 pre-registration fee will support the cost of educational resources and snacks

Dates, Locations, & Topics

September 27: Washington County – Beaverton

October 11: Deschutes County - Redmond
Focus on Food & Nutrition

Get SET for Learning Technology

4-H: Business, Fun, Learning and Leadership!

October 4: Douglas County – location to be announced

October 25: La Grande, Union County - La Grande

Focus on Food & Nutrition

Get SET for Learning Technology

Dog Clinic: Obedience & Showmanship

Call Lynette or watch the state web-site for more information.

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NEWS AND INFORMATION

FINAL NEW LEADER TRAINING

The final leader training for this 4-H year is scheduled for Monday, June 23 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. It will be held at the Extension Office. Please call to reserve your spot (541-296-5494).

SMALL ANIMAL WEIGH-IN SCHEDULED

Small Animal weigh-in, tattooing, tagging and leg banding is scheduled for July 18th from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Columbia Gorge Community College. All market birds and market rabbits **must** be brought for tagging, tattooing, and weighing. All small animals coming to fair must be tattooed, tagged or leg banded. If you need help with this task, bring them during this time.

A NOTE FROM LIZ TURNER...

Wasco County 4-H horse leader, Liz Turner has worked with Hughes Feed and Grain to bring in a good quality loose mineral mix (in a bag) that includes organic selenium, copper and zinc. She feels this mix is especially important for horses and wants all horse members to know it is available.

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TEST

Have a dog you would like to do the Canine Good Citizen Test with? You can do just that on June 8th between 11am to 5pm at the Polk County Fairgrounds. The test fee is \$15.00. Bring your dog's rabies certificate, a brush and a comb. For further information, please e-mail Christine Feldman-Bartnick at christo@oregon.com

ANIMAL HEALTH CARE REMINDERS

All animals need to receive some basic health care. Some of the tasks that need to be done for all animals include:

- ◆ Monitor and control parasites – worms, lice, mites, coccidia, flies, grubs, etc.
- ◆ Check hooves or toenails. Do they need to be trimmed or treated?
- ◆ Check for body condition. Is the animal too fat or thin? Review nutrition and feeding. Are you meeting the animal's nutritional needs for its stage of life and production?
- ◆ Vaccinations and annual boosters. Talk to your veterinarian and determine what diseases to vaccinate for. Some projects require specific vaccinations of your animals so that you may participate in group events, such as the dog project. Contact the Extension Service to get a copy of the specific rules.

In addition there is concern about specific diseases with certain projects, some of these include:

Horses-West Nile Virus

Swine-Erysipelas

Beef and Dairy Heifers – Brucellosis

◆ Make certain that all project animals are properly castrated, dehorned, and tails docked, if required.

◆ Ear tag your sheep and goats with Scrapie Tags.

The publication, "Keeping Your 4-H Market Animals Healthy," (4-H140) contains more detailed information about livestock health concerns. Ask for a copy at the Extension Office or view it on line at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/4h/4-h140.pdf>

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ROPING CLINIC SCHEDULED

The Horse Advisory Committee has planned a roping clinic on Sunday June 29th from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at KL Schannos off Hwy 197 on 8 Mile. We will start by learning to rope while on the ground then move to roping off a horse. We are hoping to also have the opportunity to work a bit with cattle. Bring a rope (The Feed Shack has used ropes for sale), your helmet, horse and a lunch. Wear jeans, boots, hat and gloves. There are trees for shade, a port-a-potty, and lots or room for parking. You may want to bring chairs. Additional clinics are scheduled for July 13 and 27th. Roping will be one of the skills you will use while completing the new Working Rancher class offered at fair.

ADDITIONAL HORSE OPPORTUNITIES

Columbia Equine Hospital's 25 year anniversary open house is Saturday, June 21 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is a great educational opportunity to learn more about horse care including feeding, dentistry and ultrasound. There is also a "Love Your Horse" photo contest. For more information call 503/663-1515

A Jackpot Playday is scheduled for July 9 at 6:00 pm at the Sherman County Fairgrounds. Age groups vary from Pee Wees (under 11) to adults (19+). Poles, Keyhole, Figure 8, Flag Race and Barrels will be run. Call Karrie Kaseberg at 541-442-5521 for more information.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CLINIC OFFERED

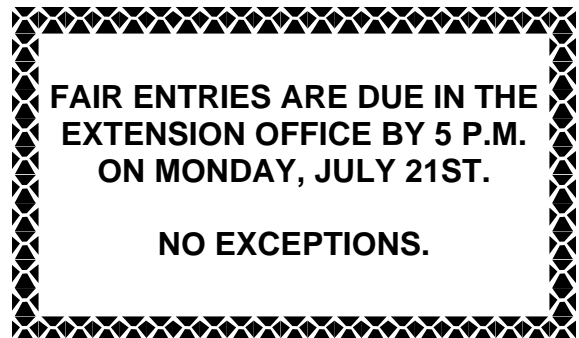
Linn-Benton Community College is offering a livestock judging clinic on July 1 & 2. Linn-Benton is known for their livestock judging program and put on great trainings. If you have an interest in this area, then I would suggest you try to attend the clinic. It is \$50.00 and pre-registration is due by June 27th. Further information is available at the Extension Office, or call Clayton Weber at 541-917-4768 or e-mail at weberc@linnbenton.edu.

FSA TO OFFER YOUTH LOANS

FSA is offering loans up to \$5,000 to rural youth to establish and operate income producing projects related to their 4-H or FFA work. Each project must be part of their organized and supervised program work. Applicants should be able to produce sufficient income to repay the loan. Applicants must be between 10 and 20 years old.

Loans may be used to purchase livestock, equipment and supplies; buy, rent or repair needed tools and equipment and pay project operating expenses. Repayment schedules will be determined by the type of project for which the loan is made. In the case of livestock or crops, payment would normally be made when the project is sold.

For complete details and a Youth Loan application contact your local Farm Service Agency at <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app?state=or&agency=fsa>



SPORTSMANSHIP:

AN IMPORTANT PART OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The development of sportsmanship is an important part of youth development. To become contributing, competent, caring, capable adults, youth must develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and aspirations of sportsmanship.

Parents and supporters are asked to help their children develop sportsmanship by a) setting a good example, and b) demonstrating sportsmanship before, during, and after competitive programs.

1. Here are some ways you can help your child learn to be a fair and generous competitor, a good loser, and a graceful winner. Teach and encourage them to...

- Maintain high standards of personal behavior—remind them that they represent your family, your community, and the program.
- Accept that the nature of competition is seeking to get what others are seeking, which results in both winners and losers.
- Learn and follow the rules.
- Be objective, and give people the benefit of the doubt.
- Show integrity, be honest, fair and straightforward in everything they do.
- Be well-mannered and show respect. Treat people and animals kindly.
- Be pleasant and friendly toward other participants, spectators, program officials, judges, the media, supporters, and others.
- Hide ill humor, refrain from arguing, and keep emotions under control.
- Accept judges' suggestions and the results with a positive attitude.
- Congratulate winners.
- Not gripe, complain, or make excuses when they do not win or do well.
- Recognize, appreciate, and try to learn from the accomplishments and admirable traits of others, and improve from their own shortcomings.
- Be a gracious winner, without gloating, bragging, or acting conceited.
- Politely ask questions if she/he has them, express concerns he/she may have, and make helpful suggestions to program officials and organizers.

2. Applaud for your children, your friends, and others for whom you wish to express appreciation and admiration.

3. Do not boo, heckle, make disparaging remarks, or make insulting comments.

4. Listen and be quiet when participants are introduced, when officials are making announcements, and when comments are being addressed to the audience.

5. If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, be polite in expressing them. Criticize in private, and compliment in public.

6. Be considerate of the time officials have to spend with you, and of their other responsibilities. Schedule an appointment if you need more time to talk to them. Submit compliments, concerns, and suggestions in writing with your signature.

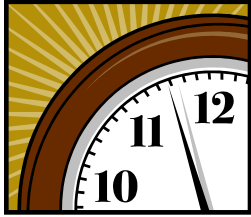
7. Show courtesy towards others. For example:

- Do not block the aisles, by sitting or standing in them.
- Do not block other people's views when taking pictures or videos.
- Throw away litter. Do not leave programs, drinking cups, or other trash for someone else to clean up.

8. Enjoy the program and accept our appreciation for setting a good example for today's youth.

From Tillamook Tides (Tillamook County 4-H Newsletter) Thank You!





4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY

The meeting was called to order by President Crystal Conley at 7:05 pm. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the treasurer's report reviewed.

In attendance: Karen Kublick, Betty Odom, Gaylene Howell, Marilyn Alexander, Ann Maslen, Mike Verbeck, Kim McCullough, Thelma Alsup, Crystal Conley, Jaci Malcolm, Erika Wilson and Lynette Black

A scholarship committee was formed to review all scholarship applications for the various camps and 4-H activities. The committee includes Kim McCullough, leader; Jaci Malcolm, resource leader and superintendent and Lynette Black, 4-H Agent.

The superintendents who had not previously received their job descriptions did and signed up to renew their position. There are still a couple of superintendents who have not re-upped and a couple who have notified Lynette of their unavailability this year.

There is a clinic on the government's soon-to-be mandatory tagging and record keeping system for beef animals on June 19th in Madras, OR. Lynette is looking for someone from our county to attend and find out more information on this. She is unable to attend due to 4-H Summer Camp at Camp Morrow.

Lynette mentioned several shows coming up for the various livestock and small animal project areas. If interested, please contact her.

Weigh-in for goats, sheep and hogs will be at the auction yard June 6th starting at 3:00 pm and ending at 6:00 pm. Lynette is unable to be there due to her daughter's graduation. Kim McCullough volunteered to be there in her place. On Saturday, June 7th the weigh-in will be at the Fairgrounds starting at 8:00 am and ending at 11:00 am. Every member weighing in animals will receive a species specific health record that must be completed and returned with their fair entry form, or during the final weigh-in at fair.

Wasco County needs a representative to serve on the Oregon State Leader's Association. The leaders' forum has had low attendance so they changed it and will be holding regional trainings in Washington, Douglas, Deschutes and Baker Counties.

A new music CD was created by past 4-H members who are now famous country western singers. The state wants to place an order for the counties. This is a fund-raiser: we buy the CDs for \$6.00 and sell them for \$10 or so. It was agreed to purchase 100 and we will sell them at various functions.

Final proof of the fairbook was passed around for us to read for errors.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Karen Kublick

