



# Wasco County 4-H Newsletter



May 2008

## ENROLLMENT DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING

If you are planning to exhibit as a 4-H member at the 2008 Wasco County Fair you must have your enrollment forms into the Extension Office by June 2nd at 5 p.m. The \$5.00 enrollment fee must accompany the enrollment form. If you have friends still thinking of joining 4-H please let them know about this deadline.

## REMINDER ABOUT IMPORTANT MEETING

Home Economics, horticulture, expressive arts, and adventure leaders are urged to attend this special meeting. Many of you received a notice about a special upcoming meeting to discuss the numerous state changes to your project areas for fair this year. The meeting will be held on May 19th at 7 p.m. at the Extension Office.

## 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 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at The Dalles Auction Yard or on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds.

## 4-H MARKET ANIMAL HEALTH FORM REQUIRED

An accurately completed 4-H Market Animal Health Form must be turned in for every animal being sold in the Wasco County Junior Livestock Auction. You receive the form when your animal goes through the initial weigh-in. However, some of the information needed must be obtained from the people you purchased the animal from. Be prepared to contact them for the necessary information.



## Calendar of Events

### May

- 2 Volunteer Open House  
1-5 p.m.
- 13 Leaders Association  
Mtg., Rm. 2.273, 7 pm
- 16 Underage Drinking Forum,  
CGCC, 7 pm
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Maupin HS library, 6:30pm
- 18 Camp Counselor Training,  
Sorosis Park, 1-5 pm
- 19 Select leader meeting,  
Extension Office, 7 pm
- 20 Horse Leaders Meeting,  
6 pm, Extension Office

### 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
- 18-21 4-H Camp Morrow
- 25-28 OSU Summer Conference
- 30-7/3 Explore the World of 4-H  
Day Camp, CGCC Café

### Heads-up for July

- 8 Mandatory Leaders Mtg.
- 18 Small Animal weigh-in and  
tagging
- 21 **Fair entries due at  
Extension with by 5 p.m.**
- 28 Fair Supt., Jr. Supt. and  
Clerk Mtg.

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## IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT FAIR

A Word from Lynette...

### The IRS and Livestock Auctions

I would not be doing my job if I did not inform you of the tax responsibilities that are a part of selling and buying an animal at the livestock auction.

The Internal Revenue Code (Section 61) specifically states that “Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, gross income means all income from whatever source derived.”

Basically, this is saying that income received from the sale of an animal at the auction is taxable to the member—meaning you have to claim the income regardless of the amount.

At least three attempts have been made to make 4-H and FFA auctions exempt from taxes, but all have failed. Therefore, as it stands now, all 4-H members who sell at the auction are responsible for reporting that income to the IRS.

Also, the money spent to purchase an animal at the auction is not tax deductible. The person purchasing the animal is supporting the youth who raised the animal, not 4-H (the non-profit agency of which the youth is a member). Animals sold through the auction never become property of 4-H or the Fair board—we are simply the venue through which they are sold.

There are cases where the purchase of the animal may be deductible as a business expense if the purchase is “ordinary and necessary in the conduct of the purchaser’s trade or business”. I would suggest that people purchasing animals speak with their tax specialist before assuming their purchase is deductible.

Please consult your tax advisor with any questions.



## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO CAMPING RESERVATIONS

By Denise Minson

Fair is nearly upon us and I would like to let you know about some important changes to making reservations for camping at the Fairgrounds this year.

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](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> and will be accepted as follows:

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

Details about more exciting camping changes will be in next month’s newsletter. I look forward to another successful year at the Wasco County Fair!

## WHO CAN ANSWER MY 4-H QUESTIONS?

Sometimes it can be difficult to know who to call when you have questions about the 4-H program. Hopefully, this will explain who can best assist you with your specific needs.

Susan Coleman is our 4-H Office Assistant and will answer all questions about 4-H enrollment (Am I enrolled? Who is enrolled in my club? Can I get a club list? I need enrollment forms!). Any paperwork you need to receive or need to turn in goes through her. Information about 4-H events, classes, camps, and all registrations are also received and processed by Susan. (This includes fair entries.)

If you need to stop by our office to pick up project materials, feel free to call ahead so Susan can have them ready for you. We don't keep a large number of copies in our files, so this is especially helpful when leaders are picking up materials for the entire club.

For general program information or if you are looking for a club to join, Susan can help.

## EXPLORE THE WORLD OF 4-H DAY CAMP OPPORTUNITY

4-H has many cool project areas. Explore the World of 4-H Day Camp was designed to introduce you to just a few of these cool projects. Dabble in leatherwork, Lego Robotics, sewing, geo caching, woodworking, and much more! Bring a friend and show them what 4-H is all about! See the flyer in this newsletter or contact the Extension Service for more information.



## OSU SUMMER CONFERENCE

Registration opens May 1<sup>st</sup> for OSU Summer Conference. The deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>. This time honored and super fun event takes place on the OSU Campus. Participants get the feel of college life as they room in the dorms, eat in the student cafeteria, and attend a variety of classes in building across the campus. OSU Summer Conference is for youth going into grades 7-12. Events include individually chosen classes that range from scuba diving to civic engagement, social events such as a dance, barbeque and swimming, as well as fun group, team-building activities. For more information and to download the registration form visit [http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/programs/events/summer\\_conference2.htm](http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/programs/events/summer_conference2.htm) or contact the Extension Office.



## 4-H CAMP MORROW REGISTRATION UNDERWAY

If you're in 4th, 5th, or 6th grade, you don't want to miss 4-H Camp Morrow! This year's camp is being held June 18-21st and includes outdoor recreation, swimming, canoeing, fishing, crafts, games, campfires, songs, skits, new friends, and much more. Bring a friend!

Cost for the camp is \$125. Some scholarships are available. See the flyer in this newsletter for more information.

Please contact the Extension Service for a scholarship form if financial help is needed. See you there!



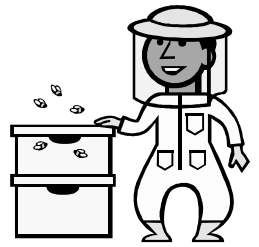
## FREE TO A GOOD HOME

### ROOSTERS

Two Bantam Cochon roosters are available to a good 4-H home. Both are part Frizzel with feathers on their legs. One is a black and white and one is a black, white and tan. Neither are aggressive, both are good looking birds, and should show great. Contact Carol Stace at 541-767-4050 for more information.

### HONEY BEES

Interested in taking up bee keeping or starting a bee keeping club? There are about 10-15 hives available along with two extractors and all of the equipment you need to harvest the honey and take care of the bees. Free to a good 4-H home. Please contact Jerry at 298-1385 for more information.



## NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Small Animals

The Benton County Rabbiteers have a small animal show for Rabbit, Cavy, Pigeon and Poultry on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Benton County Fairgrounds. Classes include Showmanship, Breed Classes, Costume Contest, Silent Auction and Pee Wee Adventure show. For more information contact Lisa Still at 541-745-3003.

### Livestock

Northwest Jr Sheep Exposition – July 17-19

The 2008 NW Jr Sheep Exposition will be held July 17-19 at Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake, WA. This Expo offers an excellent opportunity for young people from throughout the Pacific NW to showcase their sheep projects in a competitive, fun and educational environment. This event includes classes for market lambs, prospect lambs, and breeding sheep and a Skill-A-Thon. \$3000 in cash prizes and awards will be presented. Contact Sarah Smith at 509-754-2011, Ext 413 or [smithsm@wsu.edu](mailto:smithsm@wsu.edu) for more information.

Casper College Livestock Judging Boot Camp

The Casper College Livestock Judging Boot Camp will provide attendees with a three-day intensive workout. Camp fee includes accommodations, all meals, and transportation while there. Youth ages 13 – 18 years of age as well as adults are welcome. Registration due by May 16<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Extension Service for more information.

PNW Livestock Judges and Show Management School

The 2008 Pacific NW Livestock Judges and Show Management School will be held June 26-28 at Washington State University in Pullman, WA. It is an excellent learning opportunity for any livestock enthusiast including 4-H leaders, fair superintendents and livestock auction volunteers to develop skills to evaluate exhibition food animals and showcase the benefits of animal agriculture. Participants can select the Judges or Show Management Track. Contact Sarah Smith at 509-754-2011, ext 413 or [smithsm@wsu.edu](mailto:smithsm@wsu.edu) for more information also detailed information is also available at <http://4-h.wsu.edu/news/index.htm>.



## ...MORE NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Oregon Beef Ambassador Program Contest

The purpose of the National Beef Ambassador Program is to train youth spokespersons for the beef industry. Youth ages 17-20 are eligible for this program. Awards include cash as well as travel. For more information contact Norma Kuyper at 541-826-2508 or [hugh-escl@embarqmail.com](mailto:hugh-escl@embarqmail.com)

### Horse

Goldendale Horse Camp is scheduled for July 13-16. More information to follow.

Oregon 4-H Members Horse Camp held at the 4-H Center in Salem is scheduled for Friday, June 13 – Sunday, June 15. All currently enrolled 4-H horse project members may bring their horses to camp, trail ride and enjoy nature. Come for one, two or all three days. Main meals are provided, bring hay and grain for your horse. For more information call the Extension Service.

Linn County OSU Extension Service and the US Forest Service are providing free classes for all ages on low-impact horseback riding. Four classes are scheduled: May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Albany Extension office, May 10<sup>th</sup> at Linn County Fairgrounds (bring your horse and overnight tack), May 31 – June 1, campout at the 4-H Center in Salem. Contact Robin Galloway at 541-967-3871 or [robin.galloway@oregonstate.edu](mailto:robin.galloway@oregonstate.edu) for more information.

The 2008 Marion County Horse Leader's Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 31 at 9am. Classes include English Equitation and Pleasure, Western Equitation and Pleasure, Showmanship and Trail. Contact Christine Rasmussen at 503-932-8490 for more information.

3-Series All Breed Open Silver Buckle Horse Show sponsored by the Central Oregon Paint Horse Club includes a show on May 31 and June 29 at the Brasada (Rim Rock Riders) Arena in Powell Butte. There are many youth classes and many awards. Contact Kim Simmelink at [barink@madres.net](mailto:barink@madres.net) for more information.

Benton County Horse Leaders is sponsoring a 4-H Gaming Show on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Games include Barrel Race, Individual Flags, Birangle, NSCA Flags, Cal. Stake Race, Pole Bending, KeyPole Race and Figure 8 Stake. Contact Lynne Miller at 541-847-5938 for more information.

### Dog

The 20<sup>th</sup> Bow-Wow by the Sea dog show is Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Pre-registration forms are due by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Contact the Lincoln County Extension Office at 541-574-6534 for more information.



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# Explore the World of 4-H

*Come and play with us  
at our day camp!*



- WHO:** All kids going into 4th-8th grades
- WHAT:** Experience the wonders of the out-of-doors including forestry, entomology (bugs!), Global Positioning Systems (GPS), rocketry and Lego® robotics. You will also make and take several projects as you sew your own lunch bag, create a leather wristband, make paper, build a bird house, create a scrap book using photos you take yourself and much more!
- WHEN:** Monday through Thursday, June 30th-July 3rd  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- WHERE:** Columbia Gorge Community College Cafeteria
- COST:** \$60 for all four days including lunch
- HOW:** Fill out the registration below and return it to the Extension Office by Friday, June 20th.

## Explore the World of 4-H Day Camp Registration

**Camper's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

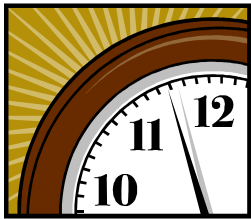
**Parent's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed my check for \$60.00 made out to OSU/Wasco County Extension Service.

Mail completed registration and check before Friday, June 23rd to:

4-H Office, OSU/Wasco County Extension  
400 E. Scenic Drive, Suite 2.273  
The Dalles, OR 97058

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## 4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL

April 8, 2008

Meeting was called to order by Treasurer, Betty Odom.

In attendance: Kim McCullough, Betsy Hege, Gaylene Howell, Marilyn Alexander, Karen Kublick, Audrey Stephens, Mike Verbeck, Susan Coleman, Lynette Black, Denise Minson, Betty Odom, Ann Maslen, Michelle Nave, and Debi Ferrer.

The minutes of the last meeting and the treasure's report were read, discussed and approved.

Business:

- Country Critters donated a portion of the proceeds from the sale of their club animal to the Leader's Association.
  - letter request for donations to help youth attend 4-H camps was sent out and donations are coming in. This account is set up to help youth attend any of the 4-H camps including Summer Camp at Camp Morrow, Explore the World of 4-H day camp, Leadership Camp at Camp Morrow and OSU Summer Conference. Scholarship applications are available at the Extension Service.
  - A reminder: all auction animals must be in possession of the 4-H member by the initial weigh-in dates. All other animals must be owned or leased by the 4-H member by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Lease papers must be in the 4-H office by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - There is a volunteer appreciation social on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1 – 5pm at the Extension Office. Refreshments and a small thank you gift will be available.
  - It was brought to our attention that the archer leader is the only leader that has to pay for his required training. A motion was made and passed for the Leaders Association to pay for his training.
  - It was discussed how the auction pool monies are collected and spent.
  - It was agreed that the auction brochure will be updated by June 1.
  - Fair fees will be included with the fair entry forms. The fees will be \$5.00 for all members entering in fair and another \$5.00 for members with livestock animals.
  - The fair schedule and general rules were reviewed and the 4-H section of the fair book will be sent to the printer on May 1<sup>st</sup>. It will be available for use in mid-June.
  - The resolution Committee for this year is Gaylene Howell, Bob Durham, Mary Jo Larson and two teen council members.
  - The Superintendent Position description was reviewed and accepted.
  - The Jr Superintendent Position description and application were reviewed and accepted. This information and application is on the 4-H web-site.
  - There are still some slots left to man the booth during the Cherry Festival on Saturday. Contact the Extension Office for details
- Google has leased a portion of their land (outside the fence) for a youth garden. The Master Gardeners and 4-H are working together on this project. Please contact Lynette for more information and to get involved in the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Karen Kublick

