



Cedar County Clover

June 2009

Senior 4-H Horsemanship Team is going to Nationals!!

By: Jeff Stacy

On Sunday, April 19 the Vernon/Cedar County Horsemanship Team participated in the state Hippology contest in Columbia Mo. The senior team consisting of Kelly Clow, Josie Foley, and Samantha Whitworth placed first at the Contest. Kelly Clow placed 2nd and Josie Foley placed 6th in the top ten individuals. The Junior Team consisting of Cara Clow, Kayla Forkner, Claire Silvers, and LiKayla Stacey placed second at the contest. Cara Clow placed 2nd, Kayla Forkner, placed 7th, Claire Silvers placed 8th in the top ten individuals. Hippology means the study of horses in Greek. There are four components in which 4-H youth demonstrate skills: a station test, a written test, horse judging, and a problem to solve through a team public speech. The senior team will be representing Missouri at the National contest held in Louisville, Kentucky the first week of November. Danielle Hillsman will be a part of this team.

SHOOTING SPORTS- Terry Costello

June and July will be busy months for shooting sports. In addition to finishing .22 cal rifle and archery projects, all youth wishing to participate in the Land O Lakes Youth Fair **must submit** a pre-entry form for the events they wish to enter with a postmark no later than **June 18th**. The form must be mailed to the Fair Secretary and the address and form can be found in the 2009 Fair Book. That form can be found in the 2009 Fair Book.

Fair competitions are as follows:

June 28th, 2:00 PM .22 cal rifle, Hoffmann Farm

July 8th, 6:00 PM - Archery, Brian Eason's

July 10th, 1:00 PM - Air Rifle, LOL Fairgrounds, South of Tractor Pull Area

July 10th, 3:00 PM - Shotgun, Eagles Trap Range, El Dorado Springs

Regional and State Competitions are scheduled as follows:

Regional Competition: **July 7th**, Andy Dalton Shooting Range, Bois D' Arc. Entry form and times not available yet. Normally starts at 8:00 AM

State Trap Shoot: **August 29th**, Linn Creek. Entry form and times not available yet.

State 4-H Meet: **September 19th**, Prairie Grove Shooting Sports Club (Columbia); Entry form and times not available yet. Starting times depend on event. Can be as early as 7:00.

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4-H Council Meeting

The next county council meeting will be on August 17th in Stockton. Location will be announced at a later date.

JUST A MINUTE!! CLUB NEWS!!

Stockton Seekers-The Stockton Seekers 4-H Club met on Tuesday, May 12th at Stockton Christian Church. Achievement Day participants presented information on the projects that they entered. Several 4-H camps are planned for the month of June and registration is due by May 15th. SMQA will be May 16th at the Cedar County Library. Those showing animals at fairs must be certified. County Council will be held on May 18th at 6:30 p.m. at LOL Fairgrounds. Project meeting reports were given in Horse, Shotgun, Archery, 22, and Foods projects. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9th at 6:30 at Stockton Christian Church.

Clayton Locke, Reporter

Union Hall- The Union Hall 4-H Club met on May 13, 2009 at 7:00 pm. There were 5 Clover Kids, 30 Members, and 14 Adults present at this meeting. Club project meetings held this month were: Gardening and Photography. The Gardening project planted flowers and garden plants at the nursing home. Photography toured local photography studios. The club celebrated Graduation with it's Seniors, 8th graders, and kindergarteners. The next meeting will be held on June 10th at 6:30 pm at the LOL fair grounds.

Claire Silvers, Secretary

LOCAL NEWS

Cedar County Youth Fair Sets Dates

The annual Cedar County Youth Fair will be held in Stockton at the Stockton Fair and Expo Building on RB road from **June 18-20th**. This is a county fair open to youth ages 5-20 years old by January 1st, 2009 living in Cedar County or a member of a Cedar County youth organization or club.

Fair books and entry forms are available at the Stockton VoAg Department, Cedar County Extension Center or online at www.extension.missouri.edu. The livestock pre-entry forms are due to the VoAg department by June 12th.

Non-livestock entries and forms are to be brought to the Stockton Fair and Expo Building on Thursday, June 18th from 11am to 1pm for check-in. Late entries will NOT be accepted. Area will be closed for judging from 1pm to 4pm. Exhibit tags must be attached to each item and can be obtained from the Extension office or at check-in.

For more information contact the Extension office at 276-3313.

WORK SCHEDULE FOR CLUBS **LAND-O-LAKES YOUTH FAIR** **JULY 8-10**

One Adult and two club members from each club are needed to work at the cook shack and metal building. Pies and desserts are needed from each club to sell at the cook shack the three days of the fair. Fruit pies are best as they will keep or can be frozen for later. Please bring your desserts and other items as requested to the cook shack before 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday.

WORK SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY - JULY 8

8:00 - 12:00.....New Kids on the Block (building only)
12:00 - 2:00.....El Dorado FFA
2:00 - 4:00.....El Dorado FFA
4:00 - 6:00.....Country Kids 4-H
6:00 - 8:00.....Lowery City Town & Country

THURSDAY - JULY 9

8:00 - 10:00.....Cherry Valley 4-H (building only)
10:00 - 12:00.....Appleton City FFA (building only)
12:00 - 2:00.....Appleton City FFA
2:00 - 4:00.....Stockton Seekers
4:00 - 6:00.....Stockton Seekers
6:00 - 8:00.....Generations III
8:00 - 10:00.....New Kids on the Block

FRIDAY - JULY 10

7:00 - 8:00.....Jesse Watts
8:00 - 10:00.....Cherry Valley 4-H (building only)
10:00 - 12:00.....Buffalo Chargers (building only)
12:00 - 2:00.....Union Hall 4-H
2:00 - 4:00.....Union Hall 4-H
4:00 - 6:00.....Pony Express 4-H
6:00 - 8:00.....Optimist Club
8:00 - 10:00.....Optimist Club

LOL YOUTH FAIR QUEEN AND PRINCESS CONTEST

Each 4-H Club or FFA Chapter in Cedar County or St. Clair County may sponsor one Candidate in each age division. The Candidate must be an exhibitor of her sponsoring organization at the Land-O-Lakes Youth Fair During the current year.

- Princess candidates 8-13 year of age
- Queen candidates 14-18 year of age

Previous Youth Fair Royalty are not eligible to participate in the same age category. Each contestant must provide her own escort. Applications must be received by June 28, 2009. Send to Jodi Graves, 3010 E 1370 Rd, El Dorado Springs, Mo. 64744

Please complete the application in the fair book. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE HANDWRITTEN. Please be detailed in your answers. You may add pages if needed.

Interviews and Judging will be held June 29th at 6:30 pm at the Land-O-Lakes Youth Fair Grounds. The decision of the Judges will be final. Royalty coronation will be at 6:00 PM in the arena on Tuesday, July 7th, 2009.

LAND-O-LAKES YOUTH FAIR, INC. PRE-ENTRY FORM FOR LIVESTOCK, SHOWMANSHIP & SHOOTING SPORTS

Send to: FAIR SECRETARY: Kris Marshall:
3800 S Hwy H, Schell City, MO 64783

All Exhibitors must pre-enter all livestock, showmanship, and shooting sports classes. Pre-entry Forms may be mailed, but must be postmarked by the deadline of June 18, 2009. All steers must have been weighed in on President's Day in February in order to exhibit. All market animals, except rabbits and poultry, must have been pre-registered on April 25th. Absolutely NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED. If confirmation is wanted, enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Entries must be completely filled out, including the appropriate signatures. All animal exhibitors MUST have

Show Me Quality Assurance Certification before exhibiting.*

NEW NON-LIVESTOCK PRE-ENTRY

New this year... there is now a Non-Livestock pre-entry form to be turn in this year for the Land-O-Lakes Youth Fair. All exhibitors must pre-enter all non-livestock. This will give an idea of how many judges are needed. Pre-entry forms may be mailed, but must be postmarked by the deadline of **June 20, 2009**. Entry forms can be found in the Land-O-Lakes Youth Fair Book. Please send to Sarah Wright at 113 South Street, Stockton, MO 65785.

REGIONAL INFO

July 18th will by 4-H Day with the Springfield Cardinals

4-H members, alumni, and their families and friends are invited to join us for the Southwest Region 4-H Day with the Springfield Cardinals, Saturday, July 18, at Hammonds Field in Springfield. Game time is 6:10pm. The Cardinals will be plaing the Northwest Arkansas Naturals. And it's Chick-Fil-A Cardinals Pennant Giveaway Day, for the first 2500 children 12 and under. Our seats will be on the third base side (in the shade). Make plans now to attend this great annual family event!!!!

Orders must be postmarked by June 10th. The flyer and additional information can be found on the Cedar County 4-H website or in the Extension Office.

Regional Horse Events

Due to increased interest in regional horse events, there will be an open meeting for all those interested in helping plan regional horse events such as shows, horse bowl, hippology and other activities, to determine how we can best meet the needs of our members and fulfill the 4-H mission. The meeting will be held Thursday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Southwest Center, 14548 Hwy H, Mt. Vernon. We will be brainstorming and sharing ideas, potential judges, etc. in an effort to have a cohesive and coordinated regional 4-H horse

program. All interested persons are invited to attend! For more information, contact Karla Deaver 417-466-3102 or deaverk@missouri.edu.

State News

STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK AND HORSE 4-H ENTRIES DEADLINES

Ben Gallup

A reminder State Fair Livestock and Horse 4-H Entries are due on or before July 2, 2009.

4-H State Fair entry information is available at <http://www.mostatefair.com/4hffa.html>.

JUNE CLUB LEADER TIPS

Diana Duncan

The weather is warming up and summer activities are here. This month gets challenging because school is out and families are beginning to start their summer plans. Communication can be especially challenging this time of year. Just remember you are doing a remarkable job and we all appreciate your efforts.

While working with your team you may want to consider the following suggestions and ideas for this month:

1. Install officers [if elected in May].
2. More discussion on fairs/achievement days, exhibits and other contests. Pass out exhibit tags, explaining how they should be completed, attached, etc.
3. Encourage each member to exhibit at least three items at fair/achievement day. Final reminder about eligibility to exhibit [members in good standing].
4. Be certain all project groups will be finishing on time.
5. Provide information about State Fair exhibits, animal show registration deadlines, dorm reservations, etc.
6. This is a great time of year for outside recreation activities (fishing, BBQ/Park, club bicycle rides etc.)
7. Explain club responsibilities for county fair, achievement day, and other county

events. Recruit parents and members to serve as workers during these events; have members write thank you notes to judges and financial contributors and promote participation by challenging each member to engage in at least one of the opportunities.

PROJECT LEADER TIPS- RESOURCES

Diana Duncan

Many projects are either in full swing or coming to a close as we prepare members for achievement day or the county fair. Your club leader or the club officer team may have asked for your assistance in providing hands on activities at the county achievement day, club meeting or other activities. Don't forget that there are resources at your fingertips for coordinating skill-a-thon stations, judging classes, demonstrations ideas, speech topics, etc. Many of these great resources can be found in your project curriculum or on the Missouri 4-H website at <http://4h.missouri.edu/projects/> Be sure and check out these resources, it may be just the tips and help you have been looking to discover rather than recreate!

Your hard work and dedication in addition to your investment of personal time has been a great contribution to the youth in your community. We are all very thankful for your continual support of the members and sharing your skills and knowledge with them so they can grow and do great things.

KATAHDIN SHEEP SELECTION AND SHOWMANSHIP WORKSHOP

Dr. Michael Seipel, Katahdin Hair Sheep International Board member

An educational workshop on sheep selection and showmanship will be held in Sedalia, Missouri on Tuesday June 23, 2009 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. There is no charge for the workshop. Contact information: Dr. Michael Seipel at 660-651-8319 or mseipel@truman.edu /

CLOVER KIDS CORNER

Alison Copeland

Through Clover Kids clubs, children learn how to get along, share, and work in groups, explore their interests, and build self-confidence. Each Clover Kids Corner provides an activity, information or other materials that Clover Kids leaders can use in planning and implementing experiences that introduce five to seven-year olds to the 4-H concept of learning by doing.

How Strong Is an Egg?

Hens lay eggs and sit on them. They also turn the eggs several times a day to keep the baby chicks from sticking to the inside of the shell. The egg shell must be strong enough to support the hen's weight but thin enough to let the chick break it and get out.

According to Ohio State University Extension Chick Quest teacher guide, "the dome shape gives an egg incredible strength....It can support a heavy load because the weight is evenly distributed both horizontally and vertically. When a load is placed on top of it (like a chicken sitting on it), the heaviness is carried down along the curved walls to a wide base."

Materials

- Two egg cartons
- Four eggs
- Hard-backed books
- Scissors

Instructions

1. Use scissors to cut the flap and lid off both egg cartons and discard them.
2. Set the remaining (bottom part) of the egg cartons side by side.
3. Place two eggs in each carton, equal distances apart. Since the books will sit on top of the eggs, use a book to estimate and adjust the distance between the eggs. Each egg should support the weight of one corner of the book.
4. Ask the children how many books they think the eggs will support without breaking.
5. Stack the books on top of the eggs.
6. Discuss the results. How many books could you place on top of the eggs before they broke?
7. Will hard cooked eggs hold more or less weight than fresh eggs? Repeat this experiment with hard cooked eggs to find out.

Source: Ohio State University Extension: Chick Quest Teacher Guide, Science Alive, 4-H School Enrichment, Pages 25-26.

