

The Curry County 4-H Times

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Notes from the Extension Office

Whew... May flew by and June is already busy with judging practices, fair project preparations, jackpots and summer activities! Please pay close attention to the details in the newsletter.

It has been awesome to see so many faces at judging practices, we encourage everyone to study and practice on their chosen contests in their spare time at home with family! Please pay attention for emails coming out from the office with judging practice information and online practices. Livestock validations will be happening June 6, 9 & 10. This is for all species for exhibition at County Fair, NMSF, and ENMSF. The livestock board will be present to do inspections. Please have your bills-of-sale, health certificates (out of state animals only), and import certificates (out of state pigs). You will need two checks if you will be paying with a check (one for livestock inspections and one for the tags). Also, don't forget that you are required to have four (4) meetings. If you are curious about how many you have, please call the office.

Lastly, please mark your calendars to attend the Curry County Contest Awards on June 13th @6:00pm (Pavilion at the Fairgrounds) and help us celebrate our members accomplishments!

Sincerely,

Kandy Hutchins 4-H Agent	Mindy Turner FCS/4-H Agent	Mason Grau Ag Agent	Diana Wood Program Asst.	Cindy Boney Admin Asst.	Zandy Bunch ICAN Educator
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**BREAKING
NEW GROUND
COUNTY CONTEST
AWARDS**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 13
@ 6:00 PM**

All 4-H members,
families and friends are
invited to attend.

**Curry
County
4-H**

RSVP
to insure we have enough
food, please rsvp to the
Extension Office by
Monday, June 12.

J.T. Mitchell Scholarship

One scholarship in memory of J.T. Mitchell is available to 4-H and/or FFA members in Curry County that have been active for 4 or more years (Seniors only). The scholarship amount is \$500. If you would like an application, email khutchin@nmsu.edu. The applications need to be typed and mailed or hand delivered to the Curry County Extension Office. Application deadline is July 15. The scholarship will be awarded at the Curry County Fair Livestock Sale Meeting.

The Extension Office would like to make you aware of the communications we use. We do our best to continually share information that you need to make the most of your 4-H experience. That means that you are responsible for making sure you are receiving all these communications. If you are not – please contact our office. If you are not getting mail or email, it means we do not have the most up-to-date info for your family. Please be on the lookout for the following things....

- 4-H Newsletter – the 4-H newsletter comes in the mail every month. It includes upcoming events, dates and deadlines. This is your first go to for all things 4-H. We also post it on our website (we are in the process of switching over our site and will have it posted asap).
- 4-H Website – our website is curryextension.nmsu.edu – click on the 4-H Youth Development tab on the right. This page has resources, forms, links to state 4-H information and county 4-H newsletters.
- 4-H Facebook Page – our Facebook page is NMSU Curry County 4-H (this is the official page and the only one we use – there is an old one out there, but current info is on NMSU Curry County 4-H). This is a public page – you do not have to have Facebook to use it – it works like a website. This is the quickest way for us to get out reminders and updates without flooding your email. We also share information from State 4-H and other groups that are relevant to the 4-H program.
- 4-H Emails – emails are sent with reminders and any updates we receive after the newsletter has been mailed. We also create emails specific to project areas and share links to resources as they become available. The email list is taken from the member email listed in ZSuites. If you are not receiving emails (several have gone out in the last two months), notify our office – please check junk, spam and promotional folders. Be sure the email you enrolled with is one you check.
- 4-H Postcards – we mail out postcards for club meetings and special events as requested. As with the newsletter, we have to have your current address, to a mailbox you check regularly for you to receive them.

Here is how you can communicate with us – we welcome questions and we are here to help you. With over 200 youth in the program, the only way we know you are facing challenges or not receiving the appropriate information is if you tell us. You can also reach out to your club leaders.

- Call us – the office number is 575-763-6505; we do have voicemail
- Email us – the office email is curry@nmsu.edu; Mindy – midenny@nmsu.edu, Mason – mgrau@nmsu.edu or Kandy – khutchin@nmsu.edu (no 's')
- Come by – 818 N Main (we will not be in the new office space until after the fair) we are open 8 am – Noon and 1 pm-5 pm.
- Message us – you may send messages through the Facebook page as well - <https://www.facebook.com/NMSUCurryCounty4H>

Summer is already crazy busy! Please help us help you by making sure you are communicating with us and receiving all communications from our office.



4-H County Council Report

Hello Curry County! Tessa Lee here, your County Council Reporter with your monthly report!
 This May we covered what we are doing for Family Fun Night and Curry County Awards. For Family Fun Night we discussed two options. Option one, an evening at the Roller Rink and option two, is Backyard Board Games. Both wonderful options to be decided on at a later time. For the Curry County 4-H Contest Awards we are going to recognize our hard working 4-H members in Curry County and each Council Officer will have an important role during the ceremony. Curry 4-H will also be sponsoring two Curry 4-H members, one member will be receiving a sum to help with their ongoing health condition and the other to help a member pursue their dream of being a 4-H State Ambassador. And last, but not least, I would like to remind you all about our community service project, Hope Children's Home. At this time, Hope Children's Home is needing the following items; diapers size 4, pull ups 2T and 3T, baby wipes, paper towels, and toilet paper. Please bring these items to the Extension office. We are looking forward to our year of service! Please check the newsletter for updates on how we are "Breaking Ground" on an amazing year of 4-H!

Tessa Lee -Curry County Council Reporter

2023 County Fair 4-H Exhibits - Indoor Entries

All indoor entries must be turned in at the fairgrounds on August 12. Make sure your entries are completely finished and ready to be judged when you bring them. Indoor entries will be accepted from 1:00 pm to 4 p.m. in the Home & Arts building at the fairgrounds. All updates are included in the fair book that is online at currycountyfair.com. If you have any questions or would like a hardcopy of the book, please contact the extension office.

BRING YOUR HORSE AND SADDLE
 UP TO LEARN BASIC HORSE
 SHOW ETIQUETTE AND SAFETY.
 OPEN TO ENROLLED 4-H YOUTH IN
 CURRY COUNTY.

CURRY COUNTY 4-H



HORSE PROJECT MOUNTED MEETINGS

JUNE - TBD
 JULY - TBD

WATCH FACEBOOK AND YOUR EMAIL
 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

MOUNTED PATROL ARENA
 (@ FAIRGROUNDS)

Save the Dates
 ALL BREED HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION
 SANCTIONED NM 4-H HORSE SHOWS

JUNE 3, 2023
 DE BACA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, FORT SUMNER, NM

JUNE 24, 2023
 ROOSEVELT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, PORTALES NM

AUGUST 12, 2023
 MOUNTED PATROL ARENA, CURRY COUNTY
 FAIRGROUNDS, CLOVIS NM

All shows will follow the 2023
 New Mexico 4-H Horse Show
 rules with regards to 4-H
 classes and points will go
 toward the state series.

2023 Summer Workshop Schedule

Welding Workshop

Terry Whitener (Texico Ag Shop Instructor) will be offering a beginning welding workshop on June 26-27 from 9am-Noon each day. Youth will make the skill plate from the 4-H Welding Project over the two days – they will need to attend both days. This workshop is open to Junior and Senior 4-H members (those who just completed 6th grade and up) and will take place at the Texico Ag Shop (if youth need transportation assistance, please contact the Extension Office). Spots are limited and participants must register (first come, first served). Call the office at 575-763-6505 to register by June 21st.

Participants will need to:

- Wear jeans with no holes or frayed edges.
 - Wear a long-sleeved shirt, preferably made of cotton.
 - Either boots, or shoes made from leather. Other shoes may be worn as long as they have no artificial "mesh" on the top of the foot made from nylon or anything like that. Hot metal sparks can melt through footwear made from plastics.
 - A hair tie if anyone has long hair.
- We will have welding gloves, welding helmets, safety glasses and all the tools they need.

Welcome to 4-H Workshop

Friday, July 21 from 9-Noon at the Home & Arts Building on the fairgrounds. This workshop is open to Novice, Junior and Senior members. Members will complete items from the Welcome to NM 4-H Project. Register with the Extension Office at 575-763-6505.

Cloverbud Workshop

We will have a workshop for Cloverbud members on Friday, July 28 from 9-11 am in the Home & Arts Building at the fairgrounds. Please contact the office to sign up so we can have plenty of supplies.

Sewing Workshop

Tammy Dunlap, Countywide Sewing Leader will be conducting a sewing workshop open to Novice, Junior and Senior youth on Wednesday, July 5 from 9 am – 3 pm @ Kingswood United Methodist Church in Clovis. Youth will complete the pillowcase from the 4-H quilting project. You may bring your own machine, or share one of ours. You may also bring your own fabric or select a kit from what we have available at the workshop. Additional time will be available on Thursday July 6 if youth need to finish their pillowcase or need assistance with another sewing project. Spots are limited and youth must register (first come, first served). Please contact the office at 575-763-6505 to register. Please let us know if you need a machine and a kit, or if you will bring your own.



Project Work Days

Do you have questions about your project or what you are making for the fair? Do you need a dedicated time to work on your projects? Join us for a project work day – get your questions answered or complete your projects. You can bring your own project to work on (please have all your supplies) or we will have a few basic projects you can work on. Please call to reserve your time slot so we can ensure plenty of space – you may sign up for multiple times. Both work days will be at the Extension Office (818 N Main).

June 28 and/or July 19

- 8 am – 10 am – Poster Making Tips and Poster Work Time
- 10:15 am – 12:15 pm – General Questions and Project Work
- 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm – General Questions and Project Work

Validation Dates

Validation dates have been scheduled with the FFA advisors. To show at the fair, you are REQUIRED to attend one of the validation dates to get your animals tagged and DNA pulled. Brand inspectors will be at each validation, so don't forget to bring your bills-of-sale and health certificates (out of state animals only). You can attend any of these dates, you don't have to attend the one in your community. Just pick the one that works best for your schedule.

*** Tags will cost \$5.00 each (If you are paying by check, please bring two checks, one for the inspections and one for the tags) ***

<u>June 6th</u>	<u>June 9th</u>	<u>June 10th</u>
Texico Ag Farm (7-10am) Melrose Ag Farm (6-8pm)	Clovis Ag Farm (7-9am) Grady Schools (6-8pm)	Clovis Fairgrounds (7-10am)

REMINDER:

All youth showing livestock are REQUIRED to attend at least four (4) club meetings.

Absolutely NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.

Livestock Ownership Deadlines

June 15, 2023 - Beef, Swine, Goats, Lambs, & Dairy Heifers

June 26, 2023 - Poultry

July 15, 2023 - Rabbits



2023 Curry County Fair Judges

Swine: Danny Davis

Goats: Cameron Anderson

Sheep: Dustin Warren

Beef: Kody Lucherk

Dairy: Mark Brindeiro

Poultry & Rabbits - TBD

JACKPOTS



Summertime showdown Jackpot (Farmington) – June 9th-11th – Pig, Sheep & Goat

Red White & Blue Spectacular Pig Jackpot and Show Clinic (Roswell) – June 16-17th

Lincoln County War (Alto)- June 17th – Sheep & Goat

Hot Springs Classic Jackpot (T or C)- June 16th-17th – Sheep & Goat

Rawhide Days Jackpot (Tucumcari) – June 17th – Pig, Sheep, & Goat

Midsummer Showdown (Hobbs) – June 24th – Sheep & Goat

Hub City Classic (Belen) – June 17th-18th - Pig, Sheep & Goat

Three Crosses Classic (Las Cruces) – June 24th – Pig, Sheep & Goat

NMBLA Independence Day Jackpot (Clovis) – June 30th -July 1st – Sheep & Goat

Border Classic Jackpot (Deming) – July 7th-8th – Pig, Sheep, Goats & Cattle

Roosevelt County All American Classic (Portales) – July 8th – Sheep & Goat

Curry County Fairbook Livestock Rule Changes

Junior Livestock Sale

President

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Jacque Williams

Members of the Board

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1. The Junior Livestock Sale will be held at the Curry County Events Center, Friday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. The meal will begin at 6:00 p.m.

2. Each exhibitor who has an animal qualified for the Junior Livestock Sale must notify their intentions to the department superintendent at a meeting Friday, August 18 at 9:30 a.m. in the Curry County Events Center.

***** All exhibitors are REQUIRED to turn in a W-9 prior to the Junior Livestock Sale. W-9s will be included in the packet at check-in.**

3. The number of animals to sell from each species (Swine, Sheep, Goats, Beef Cattle and Dairy Heifers) will be determined on a percentage basis of exhibitors (70%) capped at 102 sale slots total. The meat rabbit and broiler pen will be sold through the Junior Livestock Sale and will be allotted 1 sale slot each. There must be a minimum of (7) 4-H/FFA Meat Pens in order to guarantee one sale slot and there must be a minimum of (7) 4-H/FFA Broiler Pens in order to guarantee one sale slot. All Sale slot will be rounded to the nearest whole number rounding down if the number is between a zero and 0.4 and rounding the whole number up if it is between 0.5 and 0.9. Each exhibitor may sell only one animal if more than one is eligible for the sale.

Any question please email curryjrlivestock@gmail.com

Specific Species Rule Changes:

Dairy:

Dairy Classes will be updated to reflect the following ages:

Class 1	Spring Heifer	Born March 1, 2023-May 31, 2023
Class 2	Winter Heifer	Born December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023
Class 3	Fall Heifer	Born September 1, 2022 – November 30, 2022
Class 4	Summer Yearling Heifer	Born June 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022
Class 5	Spring Yearling Heifer	Born March 1, 2022 – May 31, 2022
Class 6*	Winter Yearling Heifer	Born December 2, 2021 – February 28, 2022
Class 7*	Fall Yearling Heifer	Born September 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021

*Class 6 & 7 - Required to be confirmed pregnant and teeth will be checked for age verification

*Jersey class will be added – *Exhibition show only*

Production Steers:

*Open to all steers that have met the production steer class requirements that are exhibited by Curry County 4-H and FFA members *and must meet all general Curry County Fair Livestock Entry requirements.*

**Videos and guides* will be distributed to exhibitors prior to County Fair.

Market Heifer:

*Open to heifers that have a certificate of Veterinary Inspection certifying the heifer is open within 30 days of exhibition. A heifer cannot be shown in both the Market Heifer and Breeding Heifer Divisions.

Poultry & Rabbit:

*We will no longer offer a public open show for these species

Breeding Ewe and Breeding Doe Exhibition Classes:

*Breeding ewes and Breeding Does will not be eligible to sell in the Jr. Market Livestock Sale. Ewes and Does shown in the market show will not be eligible to show in the breeding show. Breeding show will be held after the Curry County Bred Lamb Show. More details to be announced later.

SUMMER JUDGING PRACTICE SCHEDULE CONT.

Wednesday, May 31

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Public Speaking/Poetry	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
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Thursday, June 1

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Favorite Foods	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Consumer/FCS Bowl & Skill	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Meats	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Livestock	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m	Horse Evaluation	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Friday, June 2

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Public Speaking/Poetry	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Fashion Revue	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Horticulture	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Agronomy/Entomology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 – 5:00 p.m	Horse Bowl /Hippology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Monday, June 5

1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Wildlife	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Livestock Skill-A-Thon	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Tuesday, June 6

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Favorite Foods	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Consumer/FCS Bowl & Skill	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Parli Pro	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Wednesday, June 7

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Public Speaking/Poetry	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Wildlife	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Livestock Skill-A-Thon	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Thursday, June 8

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Favorite Foods	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Consumer/FCS Bowl & Skill	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Meats	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Livestock	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m	Horse Evaluation	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Friday, June 9

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Public Speaking/Poetry	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
1: 00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Horticulture	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Agronomy/Entomology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
3:00 – 5:00 p.m	Horse Bowl /Hippology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office

Fashion Revue: please contact Mindy Turner (midenny@nmsu.edu)

Shooting Sports: please contact Kandy and Eric Goodkowsky (egoodkow@aol.com)

**** June 20 – June 22 District Contest- Portales, NM *****

This schedule is tentative. If there is something you want to judge that is not on the list, contact the Extension Office and we will make sure to set up practice times for additional contests.

Additional practices will be scheduled as needed June 14-16

**If you are needing help with travel arrangements to get your child to and from practices, please let us know.

COUNTY AWARDS– Tuesday June 13th at 6 PM – Indoor Pavilion @ the Fairgrounds

Stay Connected

Find us on Facebook: NMSU Curry County 4-H

Check your email: Look in your junk, spam or promo folder and add us to your safe senders. If you are not receiving emails, contact the Extension Office.

Read your newsletter and post-cards!

Find past newsletters and info at <https://curryextension.nmsu.edu/>

For 4-H Volunteer Leaders and Parents

Please remember if you are helping at club/project meetings or would like to chaperone youth on a 4-H trip, **you must complete the volunteer enrollment. This includes a background check, application and online training**. Please contact your club leader or the Extension Office for more information.

4-H AGES for the 2022-2023 4-H Year

	Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade*	K, 1 st , 2 nd	3 rd , 4 th , 5 th	6 th , 7 th	8 th & Up
Age as of January 1, 2023 - the current 4-H Year (October-October)	5, 6, 7 – 8 year olds in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds; Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member.

**Grade as of January 1 of the current 4-H year (October-September). Accordingly, youth participate in summer and fall fair activities in the grade they just completed (exception: age for showmanship at the fair will be the age they are the day of show). These are standard grades based on public school general ages. Exceptions such as home or private schools or youth who have skipped a grade must be determined under the appropriate age.*

Active Membership

Curry County 4-H members must maintain an “Active Membership” status prior to participation in State Shoot, 4-H Rodeo, County Contests, District and State Conference, or Junior Divisions of the Curry County Fair. An “active” member will be considered one who completes enrollment prior to March 1, attends four (4) or more regularly scheduled 4-H meetings. No more than two (2) meetings in any given month will count toward the membership requirement. Meetings count during the 4-H year which is October 1st through September 30th.

Curry County 4-H Dates to Remember

DATE	EVENT
June 6	Validation Day (Texico Ag Farm & Melrose Ag Farm)
June 9	Validation Day (Clovis Ag Farm & Grady Schools)
June 10	Validation Day (Curry County Fairgrounds)
June 11-16	Youth Ranch Management Camp
June 15	<i>Ownership Deadline for beef, dairy, goats, sheep & swine DNA Deadline for NM State Fair</i>
June 14-16	Southern Regional Livestock School
June 20-22	District 4-H Contests – Roosevelt County
June 23 – 24	Northern Livestock School
June 26	<i>Ownership Deadline for Poultry</i>
June 26-27	Welding Workshop
June 28	Project Work Day
July 1	Last Day to Add Projects
July 5-6	Sewing Workshop
July 10-14	State 4-H Conference
July 15	<i>Ownership Deadline for Rabbits</i>
July 19	Project Work Day
July 21	Welcome to 4-H Workshop
July 28	Cloverbud Workshop
August 12	Curry County 4-H Horse Show 4-H Indoor Exhibits Due
August 14-19	Curry County Fair
September 8-18	NM State Fair
October 1	New 4-H Year Begins!
October 2-7	Eastern NM State Fair
November 1	County 4-H Record Books Due
**Please read the newsletter closely for specific details on the county and state events listed above.	

