Dear 4-H Families & Friends:

**Good Sportsmanship + Ethical Decisions = 4-H SUCCESS**

Sportsmanship and respecting others begins with the Golden Rule: *“Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”*

- Play by the rules because they apply to everyone.
- Open your mind to others, and listen and learn from your 4-H leaders and other members.
- Respect your competitors in and outside the show ring or judging opportunity. Be a gracious winner and a dignified loser.
- Think before you act! Consider the consequences of your actions because your reputation and 4-H’s reputation are at stake.
- Show perseverance and stick to your 4-H project goals, responsibilities, and commitments.
- Model the 4-H Motto: “To Make the Best, Better”, and be accepting and considerate of others feeling and opinions.
- Show gratitude. Thank sponsors, leaders, show officials, judges, parents, 4-H, FFA, and Fair staff, and others who have helped you.
- Keep your emotions under control and remember the 4-H Code of conduct.
- Set a good example because your actions speak louder than words.
- Be responsible for setting a positive image for 4-H.
- Integrity means following the rules and demonstrating positive behavior.
- Performance in competition means being a CHAMPION MEMBER, not necessarily having the champion project.
- Stay informed and read the rules, policies, and guidelines and stay up-to-date with deadlines and requirements that apply to your project...it’s your responsibility.
- Never blame others for your mistakes. Take responsibility to meet project requirement and deadlines.
- Do the right thing! Make ethical decisions in all that you do.
- Exhibit the Six Pillars of Character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.
- Honesty is always the best policy. Tell the truth and do not falsely accuse, misrepresent yourself or spread rumors about others.
- Be a good citizen and help others to make a difference in your club and community.
- Character is measured by everything you do and don’t do.

- Adapted from Ohio State University Extension Educator, Patty House.

"Make the Best, Better” in all your 4-H actions!

Joddee Jacobsen
UW Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development
We have scheduled a Fabric and Fashion meeting and fun day on May 14th.

Agenda items for the meeting:
- Details of how the judging and contest will be ran this year.
- Theme for this years Fashion show.
- Volunteer sign up. Volunteers will be needed to help with scheduling, decorating, and picking up prizes.

In addition to all the important information I will be sharing, we will spend some time having fun.

Bring a white t-shirt that you can tie-dye. The shirts that are tie-dyed will be on display the night of the Fashion show, and will have a chance to win fun prizes!

Kylie Burch, Family Consumer Science Superintendent

To RSVP to this event please go to: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0446AABE2CAAFD0-may14th

We have Air Rifle/Pistol Practices:
May 11, 13, 25, 27
Archery Practices:
May 4, 6, 18, 20, 31, June 3

Practices for .22 Rifle/Pistol & Muzzleloader are scheduled for Sunday afternoons, 1:00 p.m. @ Stuckenhoff's. Practices will continue on Sunday afternoons through May.

Practices for Shotgun are scheduled for Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. at the Rocky Mountain Gun Club on Cole Creek Road. Practices will continue on Thursday evenings through May.

Please be aware that these practices are scheduled “weather permitting” If a practice is cancelled due to weather you will be notified via e-mail or a message will be left on my voice mail by calling 235-9400, extension 32.

A few things to remember:
- Shooters are required to attend six practices for Archery & Air Rifle/Pistol, 3 practices for .22 Rifle/Pistol, Muzzleloader and Shotgun. Punch cards are available for purchase at Stuckenhoff’s.
- Certified leaders will be the only adults allowed on the shooting line. This is to insure the safety of shooters and leaders and reduce congestion on the shooting line.

County Shooting Match Information
Watch your mail and e-mail for detailed information and registration forms coming soon.

June 4th Muzzleloader
June 5th 3D Archery
June 6th & 7th Blue Face
June 8th & 10th Air Rifle & Pistol
June 9th Shotgun
June 11th .22 Rifle & pPistol
June 12th Awards Banquet

Natrona Country Shooters Club Meeting
Monday, May 9th
6:30 p.m., Evansville Room @ ARLC
Mark your calendar for these upcoming important dates:

**Market Sheep Ear Tagging & Weigh-In**
Saturday, May 7th @ CWF Arena Annex
10:00-11:30 a.m.
- You must be enrolled in the Market Sheep project by **April 30th** before you can ear tag.
- You will be given paperwork to complete on each animal you plan to tag when you arrive.
- You must have proof of ownership papers and a scrapies tag for each animal tagged.
- You will need to declare whether the animal will be a 4-H or FFA project animal.
- Cost to ear tag is $5.00
- Rough shearing will be offered at a cost of $5.00 per head and will begin at 9:30 a.m. Animals will be sheared before they are weighed.

**Market Goat Ear Tagging & Weigh-in**
Saturday, May 7th @ CWF Arena Annex
11:30 a.m.-Noon
- You must be enrolled in the Market Goat project by **April 30th** before you can ear tag.
- You will be given paperwork to complete on each animal you plan to tag when you arrive.
- You must have proof of ownership papers, and a scrapies tag for each animal tagged.
- You will need to declare whether the animal will be a 4-H or FFA project animal.
- Cost to ear tag is $5.00 per animal.

**Market Swine Ear Tagging**
There will not be a formal swine weigh-in and tagging again this year. Exhibitors will tag their own animals. Information on how to proceed with tagging your animals was sent out in a e-mail and also by snail mail. Please read this information carefully.

The deadline for tagging your animals is **Friday, May 6th**. All paperwork must be turned in to the 4-H Office by 4:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Sue at 235-9400.

**Breeding Swine Exhibitors**
There will not be a breeding swine show again this year. If you have breeding swine that you would like to take to State Fair, **they will need to have a breeding swine ID on file by May 31st, and tagged with a Wyoming State Fair breeding swine tag.**

The 4-H Quality Assurance (QA) Class teaches youth about the quality of meat and food products that come from livestock. Quality assurance for livestock producers means making a promise to the consumers from food production animals. Quality assurance is a pledge or promise to:
1. provide a food animal product preferred by consumers, and
2. provide a safe, wholesome food animal product. Food animals are those whose products (meat, milk, and eggs) have the potential to become part of the food chain.

The promise made is that products from livestock will be the highest possible quality and 4-H/FFA youth producers will do everything possible to make these products safe to eat and that our sale is of the highest quality.

Requirements for Sale eligibility:
- All FFA (13 and younger), Junior and Intermediate 4-Her’s will be required to take one QA clinic each year to sell an animal(s) in the Natrona County Jr. Livestock Sale at the Central Wyoming Fair.
- FFA & Senior members (ages 14-19) will be required to take one year of QA education to sell an animal(s) in the Natrona County Livestock Sale at the Central Wyoming Fair. If the first year of a livestock project is taken as a Senior, the QA clinic must be taken that same year.

If you are unable to attend one of the **three** scheduled Natrona County QA clinics, **it will be the responsibility of the individual** to find and take a QA clinic in another county and bring proof of that Quality Assurance Clinic to the 4-H office. Check with the 4-H office if in doubt whether another county’s program or private event will count toward this requirement.

**Last Class for this Year**
Natrona County Quality Assurance Clinic for 2016: Saturday, May 14, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to noon

Please RSVP to the 4-H Office (235-9400) for these clinics so we will be sure to have enough materials for everyone.

Mission of Wyoming 4-H: To provide positive youth development opportunities to meet the needs of young people to experience belonging, independence, generosity and mastery – the Essential Elements – and to foster educational opportunities tied to the Land Grant University knowledge base.

**Beef Hoof Trimming**
Sunday, May 8th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Casper College Ag Pavilion
Events will be at the ARLC Arena (behind the ARLC building unless otherwise noted)

NOTE: All horse members will be required to take a minimum of two clinics this year before they will be allowed to compete in the 2016 horse show. One clinic may be taken out of county as long as proof of attendance is submitted to the 4-H Office.

May 7 Horse Clinic & Safety Certifications (indoor Arena @ CWF) 10:00 a.m. Safety certifications by appointment. Please RSVP with Sue or Lennie at 235-9400.

Beginning at 1:00 we will have a mock showmanship show/clinic and fun day. Stake Race, egg and spoon race, barrels, poles, water balloon race. If you would like to participate in the speed events you will have to be certified in speed. Let's have a fun day with our horses. This will count towards your clinic requirement. Horse leaders are welcome to join and ride.

May 14 Practice showmanship, picking up leads, circles & stops.
May 21 Practice Showmanship, trail obstacles
May 28 Practice Showmanship, English tack, riding with an English saddle
June 4 Practice Showmanship, safety certifications
June 11 Practice Showmanship. Special request day.
June 18 Practice Showmanship, barrels poles
June 25 Practice Showmanship, reining, western riding

Congratulations HorseJudges
Natrona County horse judges participated in the judging contest held at the Big Wyoming Horse Expo in April. There were 13 Junior teams, Natrona County placed 6th and out of 48 individuals, Gabe Wigington placed 7th for Individual Overall. Good Job!

Horse Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m., Tuesday May 10th Oregon Trail Room @ ARLC

The 2016 University of Wyoming Horse Camp will be June 16-19 in Douglas at the Wyoming State Fairgrounds. This is a fun, educational opportunity available for youth 8-18 to attend! Early arrivals are welcome on June 16, with camp activities beginning on the 17th. Registration is available from April 15- May 27.

Registration is limited to the first 80 youth who sign up- so don’t put off registering. Visit www.wyoming4h.org for more information or to register today!

Reminder...
With County Fair fast approaching, we are making you aware of the fact that if your livestock trailer is not clean (including clean bedding), when you arrive for your health checks before Fair, your animals will not be inspected until you return with a clean trailer.

We all need to have the respect for our veterinarian who has taken the time out of his busy practice to help us out that day.

Natrona County 4-H Dog Show
Check-in & vet check, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
Show Begins at 10:00 a.m.
June 4th (Showmanship, Conformation, Obedience & Rally Obedience)

June 5th(Agility)
Check-in 8:00-8:30 a.m.
Show Begins at 9:00 a.m.

Instructions on how to register for the show will be coming soon.

CLUB REQUIREMENTS
Natrona County clubs will need to document six (6) meetings held during the club year and report them to the 4-H Office. 4-H members will be required to attend at least 60% of their club meetings in order to be a member in good standing. Members and clubs not in good standing will be subject to penalties which could include loss of privileges to show and sell livestock at the Central Wyoming Fair. You will be asked to take attendance and report the happenings of each meeting to the 4-H Office.
This little piggy went to MARKET

It doesn’t take a degree in economics to know that Casper and Wyoming in general has been struggling economically these past couple of months, specifically in the energy and natural resource sectors. As a 4H/FFA community our hearts feel for those families who are experiencing layoffs or those whose business are effected. I missed the February meeting of the sale committee as I was in Cheyenne attending several legislative forums on business and industry. At one of the lunches I attended, Governor Mead spoke about the waning portions of the economy. His message was very clear, he would continue to fight regulation that has contributed to some of these layoffs, but he also issued a challenge to the people of Wyoming. He said it was our responsibility to remain positive, recognize the good, and continue to market and support those industries which remain prosperous. Agriculture, Health Care, Finance, Construction, Education, and Tourism remain strong in Wyoming as a whole as well as Casper.

Where do we as stockman fit in. It’s easy! We manufacture and market a product to the public in July. We are no different than any salesman in the state. What do they do when there is less money to go around? Increase their marketing efforts. I might even add that increased marketing increases sale prices and ultimately effects your bottom line as a businessman or businesswoman. As a sale committee we have decided to commit ourselves to marking the sale this year at a higher level than ever before. Post cards, flyers, radio, newspaper, and social media are just a few of the ways we plan to market the sale on behalf of 4-H and FFA members.

We have also instituted a few changes to the sale that make it easier for buyers and community members to support.

For 2016: We have added and are promoting what are called ADD-ONS. Add-ons are used in County Fair sales across the country as a way for businesses to support the individual even if they cannot afford to purchase live-stock. Say a business cannot afford to buy an entire market steer but would like to support a certain seller. With add-ons it’s easy, they simply approach a designated sale official and say I would like to add, for example, $200 or $2.00 a pound to John Deer’s steer sale. They are invoiced the add-on and its essentially a donation to that individual. This is a great option for banks and feed stores that want to support their customer base but can’t buy each of their clients livestock.

The second addition for 2016 is the re-implementation of resale. This gives buyers another option of what they can do with your livestock once they have purchased it. A resale buyer will be prearranged to purchase all the resale livestock for a certain price per pound. They will have to submit resale bids, and then will have to purchase all livestock designate by your buyers for the resale pen. This gives buyers an option to sell your livestock, they have purchased, for a price close to market. This helps offset the cost of their purchase/donation.

So where do you as the seller fit in. We encourage you to follow the example of the sale committee and help us spread the word. Find new businesses and sign them up as buyers. Talk to companies in some of those industries that are still robust. Help us maintain old relationships by sending thank you cards, and visit some of last year’s buyers, taking them a tasty treat or a nice gift to show your appreciation for previous support. These buyers spend annually over a half a million dollars with 4H/FFA members in our county and it’s OUR responsibility to show gratitude and ensure that they know they are appreciated YEAR ROUND, not just in July!

Until Next Month,
Burt Andreen, Livestock Sale Committee
It is that time of year to get registered for Wyoming Resource Education Days (WyRED)! This year’s conference will be held west of Meeteetse at the Timber Creek Ranger Station June 6-10, 2016.

Early registration ends May 13 and the final deadline is June 3rd.

The week will be chock full of hands-on learning about natural resources, soil, plants, wildlife, ranch management, weeds and much more.

Wyoming Deer Hunt

The Wyoming State 4-H Program offers a hunting experience for up to six youth ages 14-18. The hunt takes place in Northeastern Wyoming on the Solitude Ranch. The ranch is located 5 miles east of Devils Tower and features spectacular scenery and lots of wildlife. The hunt is primarily for whitetail doe deer and so far has a 98% success rate and 100% opportunity to harvest.

All 4-H members between 14 and 18 years of age are eligible. Applications will be evaluated by a selection committee with preference given to first time hunters and 4-H shooting sports members enrolled in the rifle, pistol, shotgun, archery, muzzle loading, wildlife and/or hunting projects. The hunt will take place November 4 – 6, 2016 and is a rifle only hunt. If you more information you can call 307.766.5170 or email 4-H@uwyo.edu for more information. The application form is: https://wyoming4h.formstack.com/forms/deer_hunt_2016

Enjoy a great dinner and help support the Natrona 4H Live Stock Judging Team

They are hosting a Community Impact Fundraising Event, funds raised will help competition and travel fees.

Pizza Ranch Casper – 5011 East 2nd St
Thursday, May 19th
5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Pizza Ranch will donate 20% of your order! Volunteers will be on hand bussing tables and talking to guests for donations!
To Place an order call
237-1234

Mention this flyer or bring it in

/casperpizzaranch
### COMING EVENTS & DEADLINES

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May Birthdays

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Breanna Buechter
Bryce Buechter
Garrett Burkett
Eden Chynoweth
Maribel Fernandez
CJay Firnekas
Colter Gallagher
Trey Hamilton
Thomas Hampton
Jackson Hardy
Angela Herrera
Brady Hover
Aiyana Jaime
Brock Johnson
Zack Johnson
Joshua Kraus
Kole Kraus
Mikaeli Lacey
Megan Ladenburger
Kaylen Lewis
Ashur Logan
Sara Loghry

Austin McPherson
Quinci Mooren
Delaney Morgan
Jonathan Nachbar
Kylie O’Brien
Harley Oliver
Dixon Pinkerton
Harper Pollock
Payton Punteney
Gabrielle Reimann
Jordyn Renquist
Bayleigh Root-Vasquez
Brac Serres
Elizabeth Snyder
Chloe Soester
Trace Stevenson
Jason Stottlemyer
Paige Swain
Colin Valasek
Connor Waltemath
Veronica Wiese
Ava Williams
Caitlyn Williams
Phoenix Wilson
Brooklyn Wistisen

CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to this year’s winners of the Presentation Contest, Table Setting Contest & Foods-Cook Off. They will represent Natrona County at the Showcase Showdown in Laramie in June.

Presentations:
Champion Jr.: Danica Itzen
Champion Int.: Hannah Danford
Champion Int. Impromptu Presentation: Ryan Loghry

Table Setting:
Champion Jr. Table Setting: Sara Loghry, Izzie Knowlton
Champion Int. Table Setting: Ryan Loghry

Foods Cook-Off:
Champion Jr. Team: Brendolyn Wistisen, Jackson Hardy
Champion Int. Team: Brooklyn Wistisen, Gabriella Haigler, Emma Hardy
Champion Sr. Team: Elena Nachbar, Charity Palmer
April 29, 2016

Livestock Exhibitors:

At the April 12th Sale Committee meeting held at the ARLC it was proposed and discussed to change the process in which the order of the Central Wyoming Junior Livestock Sale is determined. This was proposed as the program that the Fair Board, Natrona County 4-H, and Central Wyoming Junior Livestock Sale uses, did not support the current method of determining sale order. In the 2015 sale it was attempted to determine the Sale order the same way as has been done in the past and this caused major problems in the sale accounting, invoicing, and billing systems. The Sale committee labored over this issue for nearly 7 months following the Sale and decided to send three representatives, Sue Anderson, Heather Clark, and Brenda Janikowski to a Showorks training in March.

They asked many questions of the program’s creator and staff of other counties from around the nation and the answer was that the program did not support this request. So where did that put us? The State Fair, and Central Wyoming Fair Board all use this program. The program also represents a significant investment on behalf of the 4-H Council, Livestock Sale Committee, and Central Wyoming Fair Board. The upside to using this programs for the sale are many. Resale, add-ons, load out reports, integration with show results, integration with ultrasound results, 1099 reports, and error elimination with data entry are just a few. This program reduced our data entry for each head of livestock from 5 times throughout the year to once. It also integrates with the new online entry system. This eliminates chances for error and allows us as 4-H/FFA volunteers and staff to more accurately serve both the sellers and the buyers.

1. What does Showorks support? There were basically two options: Completely randomize every entry in the sale – meaning with this option depending on the luck of the draw a single exhibitor could sell the first two or the last two back to back.
2. Sale in order of placings – meaning that all first place livestock would sell then seconds, thirds, fourths, and so on.

Under both of these options the champion’s parade would still sell at 10:00 AM and the livestock would still be grouped by species. Really the only difference is that there is no guarantee that one seller would get to sell one animal before another seller sells two.

There was a good discussion regarding this at the April Sale Committee Meeting where 4H/FFA members provided much input. It was moved and unanimously passed that we would use option 2) Show Placing Order in the 2016 sale. The Fair Board sent a representative to recommend this option as well.

We are truly blessed in this county to have the option of selling two animals. Furthermore we are more blessed by the level of support that our buyers show. While change can be hard sometimes, it is always important to remember that our number one priority is to provide an excellent educational experience for our young people. Under this system, our educational goals are still the same. Teaching young people proper animal husbandry, marketing, showing skills, and how to raise quality meat animal products. We will continue to require quality assurance, promote, and market the sale. As sellers we hope that you will take ownership of your responsibility to market your product to buyers. It was the unanimous consensus of those in attendance at the committee meeting that if a seller takes care of the marketing responsibility of their project, where the animal sells has no bearing on sale price.

Please feel free to contact any member of the committee if you have any questions.

Aaron Emery - Chairman
Burt Andreen – Vice Chairman
Heather Clark - Secretary
Brenda Janikowski - Treasurer