



Dairy Project

Record Book

Senior (Age 15 – 19)



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<u>JUDGE'S SCORE/COMMENT SHEET</u> PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE, GLUE TO THE COVER OR PLACE THIS SHEET IN SHEET PROTECTOR.

This sheet must be kept free to the judge to write their comments.

This sheet should help each 4-H'er understand their ribbon placing.

- A. Specific educational value or worth
 - ____ All questions were answered completely
 - ____ Questions were not completely answered
 - ____ Questions were not answered (missed questions)
- B. Notebook contains all project records
 - ____ Notebook contained all project records, and fully complete.
 - ____ Project records were incomplete
- c. Accuracy, neatness and general appearance
 - ____ Notebook was neat in appearance (typed/hand printed)
 - ____ Notebook pages were clean and stain free
 - ____ Notebook was difficult to read and messy
 - ____ Notebook had wrinkled and stained pages
 - ____ Notebook pages were missing

Other Comments: _____

This record book is part of your 4-H Dairy Cow/Calf project. By keeping records up-to-date you will be able to see how much progress you make as you set goals and work to accomplish them. Write, or type, neatly and clearly. Feel free to add extra pages at the end of your notebook.

SCORING CRITERIA

The following breakdown will be used during the judging process of all dairy notebooks.

Α.	Specific educational value or worth	30%
Β.	Creative way of showing what you have learned	10%
C.	Notebook contains all project records	50%
D.	Accuracy, neatness and general appearance	10%

The Oceana County 4-H Dairy Committee encourages 4-H Leader and parent assistance with you project and project notebook. If you should have any questions, please contact the MSU Extension Office.



3. (2021)

Why Keep Records?

- * Members learn more about their project animals- costs, feed, health & management skills.
- * Document activities and progress in the project.
- * Improve management and production practices.
- * Helps plan future projects.
- * A completed record book should have a beginning and final photograph. You are encouraged to be in the photo with your project animal(s) and to include more photographs. You may use additional pages if necessary.

Dairy Project Summary

Number of club meetings held:	Number I attended:
I gave project talks or demonstrations:	Yes No
Topics covered at our meetings were:	
Have you participated in other dairy activity	ties, fairs, clinics, etc.:YesNo
If yes, list the activities, shows, fair or related attended):	d programs attended. (write N/A if none were
What are your goals for this year's dairy pro	oject?



4-H LIFETIME DAIRY CATTLE SUMMARY

IDENTIFICATION: Draw and color the markings on the outline or attach a photo of at least 1 of your 4-H dairy cattle projects. Answer the questions below using the same project animal.



Primary Strengths or Best Features:_

Primary Weaknesses or Worse Features (what would you change if you could):_____

registration numbers, production records, classification scores, awards and sire summary information. PEDIGREE CHART: Record pedigree information for each of your project animals. Information may include Name of Animal Birth Date (If you only have 1 animal, remove the additional management records pages) Sire Dam 7. (2021) Grand Sire Grand Sire Grand Dam Grand Dam



Management Records

Fill out 1 of these pages per dairy project

(If you only have 1 animal, remove the additional management records pages)

Name:	Breed:							
Date of Birth or Age:	RFID (required)							
What housing/shelter does your animal ha	ve\$							
 What type of feed(s) do you use for your p 	roject animal?							
 Do you milk your own dairy project? If so, dairy project, how often do they do so? 	how often? If someone else milks your							
 How often do you clean the pen/barn you 	Jr animal stays in? How do you do this?							

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Dairy ANIMAL Record of Care

Fill out 1 of these forms for each dairy animal you exhibit (if you only have 1 animal, remove the additional record of care pages from the notebook)

Animal(s) Name/I.D.# _____

** It will be assumed that you walked & fed your animal, but what additional things have you done such as; washed, clipped, trimmed, foot care, health practices, medicines, halter breaking, training, had vaccinated, etc. **

Starting Date of Week	Care Given	Care Giver
EX: 12/1/2021	Worked on leading with a halter	Ме

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Dairy FARM Work Record

Record all of the work you completed **for the farm** that your dairy project is raised on. For example: What are your responsibilities besides taking care of your 4-H dairy animal? animal? Do you help feed the animals, water the animals, clean the pens, help with other animals, etc. Even if it is your parent's farm, you should have chores.

Description of Work Completed	Number of Hours Spent On Task
	Description of Work Completed

- If your animal(s) being raised on your own property, please have your parent or guardian sign acknowledging that you provided the care to the animal(s) and completed the dairy work as recorded.
- If you are borrowing an animal from someone else, have the owner sign acknowledging that you provided the care to the animal(s) and completed the dairy farm work as recorded.

I, ______, do attest and certify that this 4-Her cared for this **Property Owner's Name –or parent if raised at your own farm (please print)** Animal in a responsible manner while housed on my property and completed the works/tasks listed above. I also understand that integrity and responsibility are important to the 4-H experience.

Records Questionnaire

(Questions refer to the farm or herd where your cow/heifer is regularly housed, ask questions of the farm owner if you do not know the answers).

What breed(s) of cattle does the farm have?
How many lactating cows does the farm have?
How many dry cows does the farm have?
Total number of heifers and calves on the farm?
At what age are calves weaned off milk at this farm?
Is the herd on a dairy testing program? If yes, which program is it on?
QUIZ BOWL QUESTIONS
Name two external parasites of cattle:,,
Name two internal parasites of cattle:,,
Which dairy breed generally has the highest level of milk production?
Is grain or forage more important in rumen development and proper calf nutrition?
What is the common name for the disease traumatic gastritis?
An inflammation or infection of the mammary gland is called?
Cattle have 4 stomach compartments and are therefore called ruminants. Name them.
Which stomach compartment is referred to as the true stomach?
List 5 major dairy breeds:,,,,
Name 4 of the 6 classes of nutrients in a feed program:

Dairy Cow Unified Score Card

Using the Dairy Cow Unified Score Card (updated 2009 and can be found at: http:// www.purebreddairycattle.com/pages/Literature.php), list the criteria under each of the FOUR major traits. This is what you would use to choose your show animal.

1. Frame—15%

Example: RUMP- 5 points 2. Dairy Strength- 25% 3. Rear Feet & Legs-20% 4. Udder-40%

DAIRY KNOWLEDGE

What is a pedigree and what information is usually found in a pedigree for a dairy animal?
How old should a calf be before it is weaned?
Describe the housing and environment your animal was raised in.
Describe the grain ration(s) you used and list the main ingredients in each.
It is especially important to provide clean, fresh water at all times as milk is% water.
<u>Trivia</u>
Which dairy breed generally has the highest level of milk production?
What is the common name for the disease traumatic gastritis?
An inflammation or infection of the mammary gland is called?
Cattle have 4 stomach compartments and are therefore called ruminants. Name them.
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A normal healthy rumen should turn over how many times per minute?
List 5 major dairy breeds:,,
What is the term for how well cows convert feed into milk?

Dairy Genetics, Judging & Show Ring Ethics

1. Give one example of a disqualifying defect: 2. Describe proper udder traits: _____ 3. Name two important factors to consider when looking to purchase a genetically sound bull: 4. Name one skill you might use in the show ring to show off your animal's strong points and minimize its weak points: 5. Unethical treatment of animals and being a poor sport when competing is not acceptable. List the 6 pillars of character: _____, _____, _____, , 6. What have you seen or heard about that you think was an unethical practice in relationship to showing an animal?

WRITE THE CORRECT NAME OF THE PART ON THE LINE The Ruminant Digestive System



Health Management & Diseases

COMPLETE THE TABLE BELOW FOR EACH DISEASE LISTED

Disease	Symptoms	Treatment	Cause	Prevention
Coccidiosis				
Pneumonia				
(viral or bacterial)				
Grass Totomu				
Tetany				
Lice				
Mastitis				

4-H INFORMATION

(as this is a 4-H project, you should know the following information)

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The 4-H Pledge

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The 4-H Motto:

Showmanship: (list 1 quality of a good show person)

What were 2 ways you helped or taught others this year (4-H is about helping others as well as bettering yourself):

CLUB MEETINGS

NOTES: (anything that you may want to remember about										
<u>SIGNATURE OF LEADER:</u>										18. (2021)
LOCATION:										
<u>DATE:</u>										

Dairy Project Photos

1.

- Be creative. The more photos, the better! You are encouraged to be in the photo with your Dairy project animal(s).
 - You should also include the date of your photograph by, or on it.
 - Captions also help the judge understand what the picture represents.