Livingston County’s Fowlerville Family Fair

4-H Family Pre-Fair Newsletter

June 2014

Fair Information Source for 4-H Families

4-H Fair Message

The excitement of going to the Fowlerville Family Fair is growing by the day. 4-H members across the county are busy with 4-H animal projects, deciding what recipe to use for their foods exhibit or selecting the best photograph for their photography exhibit. We are looking forward to a fun week!

Stall Cards
Stall card templates are available on the Livingston County 4-H website. The fillable stall cards will be easy to use and can be made specific and club specific. It is recommended that clubs use cardstock when printing their stall cards for durability. Cardstock will be available at the MSUE office for clubs to use.

Read Your 4-H Fair Book and Pre-Fair Newsletter
To get through the Fowlerville Family Fair successfully, refer to the 4-H Fair Book and this Newsletter. The daily programs, general rules of the fair and the general 4-H rules are especially important. Take a few moments, read through the book and newsletter, they will help you find the times, dates and activities that will take place during fair week.

Fair Entry Deadline – June 15
No late entries will be accepted!
Whether you submitted fair entries online or on paper, they are due June 15th. That falls on a Sunday this year, so the Fair office will not be open. If you choose to use paper entries, make sure to have them turned in to the Fair office no later than Friday, 7/13 at 5pm. We strongly encourage you to return your 4-H Fair entries to the Fair Office before June 15, to prevent unscheduled events from keeping you from getting your forms in on time. Late entries will not be accepted. Regular hours for the Fair Office are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Next year, entries will be online only.

Fair Passes: Member/Leader
The Fowlerville Family Fair will officially open on Monday, July 21. Members and leaders will need their fair passes to enter. Member and leader passes will be included in the club packets and distributed at the Pre-Fair Meeting on Tuesday, July 8. Be sure you check with your Administrative Leader before Monday, July 21, to get your passes and entry tags.

Family Season Fair Passes
4-H families wishing to purchase a season pass can do so from the Fowlerville Family Fair office for $15.00 from June 1 through June 30. Family passes will be $20.00 from July 1 until fair time. This is the best deal for parents who are not leaders, who need to go fairing each day. Adults who enter exhibits in open class divisions also receive an exhibitors’ pass for the week. Parents might want to consider this option also.

Ride Vouchers
Ride vouchers are also on sale now for $15.00 on the fair website. They will be available at the Fair office soon too. Purchase vouchers before the fair and then turn them in during fair the day you want to ride. Ride vouchers must be purchased prior to the first day of fair to get the reduced price of $15.00. There is no 4-H ride day. It was replaced with this voucher purchase program. Mega Ride tickets are also available for $70.00; which will let you ride all week as much as want.
2014 4-H Fair Superintendents

Dairy ........................................ Sue Grover
Beef ........................................ Gary Fox
........................................... Janet Clement
Sheep ...................................... Dave Roberts
........................................... Missy Westphal
Swine ...................................... Eric Skym
........................................... Jim Kennedy
Poultry .................................... Don Roberts
  Market Poultry ......................... Mickey Roberts
  Show Poultry ......................... Sarah Wylie
Rabbits .................................. Donna Carpenter
Llamas, Alpacas ....................... Hope Browne
Goats .................................... Gordon Munsell
Horse and Pony
  Show .................................... Cara Arbenowske
  Barn .................................... Don Carnevale
Dogs ...................................... Kristina Wright
........................................... Chantel Hart
Cats ...................................... Lynn Perry
Pocket Pets ............................. Sherry Jones
Showmanship Sweepstakes ........... Brooke Densmore
Best Kept Club ......................... Sheri VanWyck
Animal Science ........................ Christine Miller
Creative Arts and Crafts ............. Kristine Esch
Folk Art, Folkpatterns ............... Suzanne Dick
Photography ............................ Judy Paulsen
Clothing/Textiles ...................... Jeanne Sparks
Wood Science .......................... Stephanie Fletcher
Foods ..................................... Paula Klein
Horticulture, Entomology .......... Nan-Marie Fox
Demonstrations, Public Speaking, Club Exhibits, Leadership, Safety & Sports .... Barb Parker
Shooting Sports ....................... Todd Muck
Electrical, Engines & Rockets ...... Jim Sparks
Clover Buds ............................. Renee Pasko
Little Red Barn ......................... Teena Munsell
Grounds Superintendent .......... Gordon Munsell
Special Events ........................ Molly Moulton
Still Exhibit Auction ............... Tina Kupniewski
Auction Superintendent .......... David Roberts

Livingston County 4-H Policy on
Alcohol & Drugs & MSU Extension Volunteer
& Member Code of Conduct Policy

Illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages and controlled substances are prohibited. 4-H members and leaders found using illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages and controlled substances, while on the fairgrounds will be suspended from the 4-H program for one year and will lose Fair awards for the current Fair year. This rule also includes no smoking outside of designated areas for adult volunteers. 4-H members, even those “of legal age” are prohibited from smoking. Please note the campgrounds are NOT a designated smoking area.

Pre-Fair Meeting July 8th at 7:30 p.m.

All 4-H clubs are required to send at least one representative to the 4-H Pre-Fair Meeting held on Tuesday, July 8th at 7:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds in the 4-H Building. 4-H Superintendents will attend to answer questions about their specific areas. We will discuss changes in the fair book and general 4-H procedures. 4-H Club Fair Packets will be available for pick up that evening. Preprinted entry tags, member passes, leader passes, project guidelines and extra forms will be part of your club packets. Please make sure your club is represented so your members have the information they need to make Fair a fun time.

Pre-Fair Clean-Up and Set-Up
Scheduled for Tuesday, July 15th

Fair clean-up day will be Tuesday, July 15th beginning at 5:00 p.m. This is a very important part of getting ready for fair. We need your help to prepare the buildings and grounds for the fair! Jobs will include cleaning, painting, setting up the building and the exhibit areas, setting up pens, stalls and cages and picking up the grounds around the barns and 4-H building. It would help if families could bring paint brushes, buckets, rags, rakes, cleaners, and wear old clothes. After clean-up 4-H Council will provide a hotdog dinner.

Various items will be for sale after clean-up!

Come take a look! Items will include:
- Tube Panels (8ft square) ➔ $5 each
- Cattle Panels (16ft) ➔ $18 each
- 2x4’s (16ft pieces) ➔ $5 each
- Tan/Brown tablecloths good for drape cloth and covering ➔ $2 each
Check-In Schedule and Health Requirements for 4-H Animals at Fair
The 4-H superintendent will check-in dairy, beef, sheep, swine, horses, goats and llama/alpacas on Sunday, July 20th from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. These large animals will be subjected to a health screening at check-in by a superintendent and will also be checked by a vet. Dairy and beef animals must be identified with a USDA scrapies tag – please refer to the fair book rules for specifics. If you do not have a scrapies tag for your goat you will not be allowed to unload from the trailer. Horse exhibitors must show proof of a negative Coggins. Swine will be tagged with their USDA tag during check-in.

4-H rabbit and poultry superintendents and volunteers will be checking in rabbits and poultry on Sunday, July 20 from Noon to 4:00 p.m. Animals will be subjected to a health screening at check-in by superintendents. All birds and rabbits must go through check-in before being caged. Poultry, except for waterfowl, pigeons and doves, will be Pullorum tested at check-in unless proof of a negative test within the last 45 days is presented by the exhibitor.

Weigh-In for Sheep, Swine, Beef, and Goats at Fair on Sunday, July 20 – Sheep and Beef will be weighed in at 7:00 p.m. Swine will be weighed and tagged during check-in time. Market goats will be weighed at 8:00 p.m.

Post-Fair Clean-up and Release of Exhibits
Release of all 4-H animals and exhibits is 9:30 a.m. Sunday, July 27. Decorations may be taken down starting at 8:00 a.m. Animals and exhibits will be released at 9:30 a.m. Pens will be taken down at 9:45 a.m. and post-fair clean-up will go from 9:45 a.m. until noon. Please arrange to have your club’s projects removed from the 4-H Building by 10:00 a.m. to allow for clean-up. The 4-H Building will officially close at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 27. Each 4-H club will be assigned a post fair clean-up area, but everyone should plan to stay and help until all areas are clean. Assignments will be distributed at the pre-fair meeting in July. Clubs will be released after clean-up is done by a superintendent or 4-H staff person. It is such a help when clubs help to clean up after fair. We know that the excitement is over and everyone is tired, but when it is all left for a few to do the job is almost impossible.

4-H Specials

Mower Madness
Wed, July 23 at 2:00 p.m. - Draft Horse Arena
The contest consists of parts identification, driving and short-answer questions for members 5-18 years if age. The references to study for the contest include Level 1 – Crank It Up and Level 2 – Warm It Up. (Contact the Extension office for which pages to study). Sign up will be at the 4-H Fair office during fair.

4-H Livestock Judging Contest
Fri, July 25 at 9 a.m. - Livestock Show Arena
Learn about judging beef, sheep, and swine. Test your skills and knowledge by placing the class and presenting a set of reasons if you choose. Judging is lots of fun and educational at the same time. No previous experience needed. Guidelines can be obtained at the Extension office. Contest is open to 4-H members 9-18 years of age. Plaques will be awarded to winners in each age group.

King and Queen Contest
Tue, July 22 - Livestock Show Arena
This contest is open to all 4-H members ages 12-18. The official rules are on page 17 of the fair book. The contest will be Tuesday night at 7 p.m. The deadline for sign up is 5 p.m. on Tuesday of fair. The contest is limited to the first 15 couples to sign up. A sign-up sheet will be posted outside the 4-H office in the back of the 4-H Building.

4-H Fun Night....Winter Olympics
Thurs, July 24 at 7:00 p.m. - Livestock Arena
This 4-H fun night at the fair will feature 20 teams composed of 4-H members, Clover Buds, parents and/or leaders. A team will be composed of 4 players in any combination of member, parent or leader. The team entry fee is $20.00 ($5/person). Clubs are limited to one team until July 1 and then spots will be filled on first come basis. To be registered, a team must have a team name and the $20.00 entry fee paid. Entry fees will be used to benefit your 4-H program. Register your team today at the MSUE office until 7/18 after that at the 4-H office on the fairgrounds.

Make checks out to MSU.
Market Animal Record Books
All 4-H members who plan to exhibit and sell market beef, sheep, swine, goats, poultry and rabbits must complete and turn in a basic record book. Members may estimate the ending weight of their animals. This will allow members to complete their record books prior to fair if they so desire. All record books are due in the 4-H Fair office by 9 p.m. on Monday, July 21. **Members who do not turn in a record book cannot sell their animals or show in market classes.**

Record Books for sheep, beef and swine were handed out on tagging day other animal record books are available at the MSU Extension office. Your first copy is free, additional copies are $.25. Members who pick up record books at the Fair office will be charged a fee of $.50.

4-H members who plan to enter their record books for judging with their beef, sheep, swine and goat projects must complete 4H1177. Horse members wishing to enter a record book for their project horse may use 4H1072. Rabbit, dog, poultry, pheasant and other project areas where members are entering a record book for judging, also need to use a special record book. All record books are available at the Extension office. If you have questions about your record books, call the office at (517) 546-3950.

Clover Bud Graduation
Clover Buds, who are 4-H age 8, are invited to attend a graduation ceremony in the Livestock Show Arena on Tuesday, July 22, at 6:00 p.m. or immediately following the Clover Bud Mentoring Showmanship Presentation. Each Clover Bud who will be a regular 4-H member in the fall will receive a certificate in recognition of their participation as a Clover Bud in Livingston County 4-H.

Clover Bud Scavenger Hunt/ Events Wednesday, July 23, 12:00 p.m.
All Clover Buds are encouraged to participate in this exciting event and see what fun we have in store for you. Register at the 4-H Fair office at noon on Wednesday where the fun begins!

Clover Bud Mower Madness Contest
*Draft Horse Arena – 2pm (Pedal tractors will be used for Clover Bud driving portion)*
*Special ribbons for ALL Clover Bud participants*

Brought to you by 4-H Teen Council...
Lock-In (Mon 4pm-6pm and Tue 2pm-4pm)
It only takes $5 to have your favorite member, leader, parent, friend etc., locked up for 15 minutes in the livestock arena! Have fun and help Teen Council fundraise for their teambuilding event at the high ropes course. Look out though, if the prisoner can raise $3 from the crowd, they get out early! 😏

4-H Dance (Thurs at 9pm, Livestock Arena)
All 4-H members, leaders and families WELCOME! Teen Council is hosting the 4-H Dance on Thursday of fair at 9pm in the livestock arena. Back by popular demand, Ben Kitchen will be our D.J! See you there!

4-H Kitchen-Fowlerville Fair
Each club needs to sign up for at least one shift. The ideal kitchen crew per three hour shift is 6 adults and 7 children at least 9 years of age. We also need cashiers (over 18 years of age) and clubs to do laundry each day. If you have someone who is willing to cashier for more than one shift, it would be greatly appreciated so we don’t have to train someone every three hours!

- If you haven’t yet signed up for a shift in the kitchen email Brenda Regentik at mbregentik@gmail.com

The 4-H kitchen will purchase all pies. Money donations from families or clubs would be greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the Extension office prior to the fair or at the 4-H kitchen during fair. Make checks out to Livingston County 4-H Council.

Profits from the kitchen go to 4-H Council to buy year-end pins for members and leaders, educational materials for clubs, and all the many things that make Livingston County 4-H special. Please help 4-H Council continue their good work.

The 4-H Kitchen is open during fair to serve breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks from 7:30 a.m. through 9 p.m. It’s essential to have a fully staffed kitchen of volunteers to remain open during these hours. Without proper coverage, the kitchen will close during that time.
Clerks and Runners are needed on Saturday, July 19 for Pre-Fair Judging. Teens are welcome!

4-H Fair office – Volunteers are needed to work in the 4-H Fair office during the week of Fair. Call Sarah to schedule 517-546-3950.

The 4-H Kitchen Committee is looking to fill a few more slots. We need Day Chairs most urgently. Day Chairs explain kitchen duties to clubs which helps shift changes run more smoothly. We need to fill day chair positions on Wednesday 7:30am-2pm, Thursday 2pm-8pm and Saturday 7/26 2pm – 8pm. Smaller clubs can always help with Laundry Duty! We need help on Wednesday (8pm pick-up/10am drop-off), Thursday (8pm pick-up/10am drop-off), and Saturday 7/26 (12pm pick-up/5pm drop-off). Remember, this is one of our biggest fundraisers and the money we raise benefits everyone in 4-H. Call Brenda at (517) 223-0278 to sign up soon!

Dog Club Volunteers: Volunteers from each Dog Club are required for show days - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Call Chantel Hart at 810-397-2342 or email Kristina Wright at 4-her_bowhunter13@sbcglobal.net to sign up.

Area Supervisors are needed on pre-fair clean-up day to coordinate work crews in the barn and building areas. Call Sarah 517-546-3950 if interested.

Watch Small Animal Barn
Volunteers needed in the Small Animal Barn during fair week to watch the animals. Sign-up schedule for the week will be posted in the barn.

Trophy Sponsors
We still need a few sponsors for trophies, ribbons and special events give Teena a call at (517) 223-9639 for sponsorships.

Project Forms and Record Books
Any form that is required to accompany a fair project may be picked up at the Extension office. If you request a form at the fair there will be a $.50 charge per sheet. Please pick up your forms now and come prepared to the fair. Projects that require special forms include:

- Foods and Nutrition
- Folkpatterns and Rockets
- Animal Record Books

Pick up required forms prior to fair and avoid charges!

Check Out The New Displays at The Little Red Barn!
We want to make the Little Red Barn a place where fair visitors can gather information about local organizations and how these organizations contribute to our community and also benefit local families.

4-H is at the top of the list. Each committee will do a display on the benefits of participating in its 4-H project area – Look What We Can Do For You! Other organizations asked to participate include Fair Board, Farm Bureau, Livingston Soil Conservation, Webberville FFA and the Fowlerville Business Association.

4-H Members will be auctioning their photographs, paintings, baked goods and much more at the first-ever Still Exhibit Auction on Wednesday of fair in the Livestock Arena at 7pm. Come support your fellow 4-Hers at this new event. Thank you to the Still Exhibit Auction Committee for helping to get this off the ground!
2013-2014 Fair Rule Changes

Exhibitor Program
Sunday, July 20
6:30pm Goat and Horse Meeting
7pm Sheep and Beef Weigh-in

Monday, July 21
4pm 4-H Teen Council Lock-in – Livestock Arena
6pm 4-H Demonstrations/Public Speaking

Tuesday, July 22
2pm 4-H Teen Council Lock-in – Livestock Arena

Wednesday, July 23
11am 4-H Dog Agility & Showmanship Classes – Livestock Arena
12pm Clover Bud Event – 4-H Building
7pm Still Exhibit Auction – Livestock Arena

Horse
DEPARTMENT 16 – HORSE & PONY
4. Proof of negative Coggins test within 12 months is required.

19. Championship classes: only the top two placings from previous classes are eligible to participate (bareback, pleasure and equitation for English and Western horses and ponies), and should return to compete for the trophy.
Rule 19.5: Showmanship is a separate trophy

Section 981 – English Horse & Pony – Medal Classes
ADD
Class 5842: Dressage/English or Western (Training Level through First Level) – (9-18)

Section 982 – Western Horse & Pony, Non-Premium Classes
ADD 5812 Trail – Walk/Trot (9-18) – Ribbon Only

Section 982 – Western Horse & Pony
ADD Class 5843: Versatility – Riders show – English, Western and Gymkhana – Ribbon Only

SMALL ANIMAL
DEPARTMENT 30 – SMALL ANIMAL MARKET LIVESTOCK
ADD 26.5 Remove feed from all Small Market Animals by 6:00 p.m. Saturday before loading.

DEPARTMENT 12 – POULTRY, PIGEONS, WATERFOWL
Section 885 – Production Birds
ADD
4. Bring a dozen eggs, produced by your birds to be judged with your birds.
5. Judge has the right to crack open eggs during judging.

CHANGE
Class 5516: 3 Pullets, 1 year or younger with dozen eggs (If Laying)
Class 5517: 3 hens, 1 year or older with dozen eggs

DELETED Section 886 Eggs
Section 889 – Other
1. An entry from classes 5572 & 5573 cannot be combined to be exhibited in class 5578.
Class 5578 Pair of Show Ducks – one male & one female

DEPARTMENT 14 - Pocket Pets
Section 1040 – Pocket Pets
10. Fun classes and/or showmanship for all pocket pets except cavy will be determined at fair. No pre-entry required.

DELETE - Section 1042 – Pocket Pet Showmanship

Cats
DEPARTMENT 22 – CATS AND KITTENS
Section 1050 – Cats and Kittens
Class 6020 Male Cat (Neutered)
Class 6021 Kittens (4-12 months old)
Class 6022 Female Cat (Spayed or Unspayed)

DEPARTMENT 69 – SCIENCES
ADD
ROBOTICS
1.) One entry per class
2.) Exhibit must include at one or more of the following items: trifold, notebook, model, or the actual device.
3.) All exhibits are to be prepared, assembled and built by the exhibitor.
4.) Reference materials available at the MSU Extension office

Section 1345 – Robotics – Individual Project
Class 6975 – Robotic Design – display design drawings of project. To include specific layout design,
materials list, power source, and description of robotic task.

**Class 6976 – Robotic Educational Display** – Each project to include notebook along with Trifold Display or other appropriate method to display work.

**Class 6977 – LEGO Robotics**

**Class 6978 – Junk Drawer Robotics**

**Class 6979 – Beginner: Kit** (purchased off the shelf) – 1st year only

**Class 6980 – Intermediate:** Build from separately sourced components with planning assistance.

**Class 6981 – Advanced:** Design and build – Robot and notebook (sample notebook available for members to reference).

**Section 1346 – Robotics – Team Project**

(A team shall consist of 2-3 members)

**Class 6982 – Intermediate:** Build from separately sourced components with planning assistance

**Class 6983 – Advanced:** Design and build – Robot and notebook (sample notebook available for members to reference).

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**NEW!!!**

**Still Exhibit Auction**

DEPARTMENT 90

NON-LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS

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**4-H STILL EXHIBIT AUCTION RULES**

1. An exhibitor may sell one still exhibit item in this sale.

2. The 4-H Still Exhibit Auction is open to all 4-H members, 4-H age 9-18.

3. Items to be sold in the Still Exhibit Auction must also be judged and exhibited at the Fair. Members must enter the appropriate class for the project AND the Still Exhibit Auction Class.


5. Any food item sold in the auction must be a duplicate of the food project entered by the exhibitor for judging

6. The duplicate food item sold in the auction must be prepared at an appropriate time, so that it arrives fresh to the buyer immediately after purchase.

7. All food entries must be whole or at least a full dozen and must include a list of all ingredients.

8. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to properly store food items (keep refrigerated if necessary).

9. All auction items, except foods, must be returned to the exhibitor’s club booth/area in the 4-H Building for the remainder of fair.

10. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to pick up the item when the exhibits are released and deliver it to the buyer. Non-food auction items will be released at the same time as all other 4-H still projects.

11. Exhibitors who do not deliver sold projects forfeit their sale proceeds.

12. The exhibitor must be present to sell their own project.

13. No one under the age of 18 may bid on any still exhibits in the auction.

14. Exhibitors will be assessed 10% of gross sale of still exhibits or a minimum of $1.00 to cover costs of programs related to the auction.

15. Sale order will be assigned alphabetically by exhibitor’s last name. Even years will start with “A” and odd years will start with “Z” and go in reverse.

16. Exhibitors are expected to write thank you notes to their buyers.

**Section 1089 – 4-H Still Exhibit Auction**

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For the complete list of rules refer to your fair book. Every exhibitor, parent and leader should read the general rules and rules for every project area they’re working with.
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Fair Happenings for 2014

NEW 4-H Still Exhibit Auction
Clover Bud Fun Event
Mower Madness Contest
King and Queen Contest
Achievement Program for Non-Animal
4-H Dance
Grand Equestrian Drill Team
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