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Coming up in February 2024

2/3 ........................................................................................................ Seward Club Days
2/10 .......................................................... YQCA Training Day - Ulysses 10:00 am-3:00 pm
2/14 ........................................................... Stevens County Senior Citizens Prom 7:00pm
2/17 .................................................................................................... Haskell Club Days
2/18-19 ............................................................................................. Haskell Club Days
2/24 .................................................................................................... Citizenship in Action - Topeka
2/29 .................................................................................................... Regional Club Days - Ulysses
........................................................................................................ Beef Weigh In- Stevens 3:00-6:00 pm

Coming up in March 2024

3/2 .......................................................... Beef Weigh In- Stevens 9:00 am-12:00 pm
3/23 .......................................................... Beef Weigh In- Haskell 9:00 am-12:00 pm
HORSE BOWL/HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

Everyone is welcome even if you are not enrolled in the Horse Project but need a contest to go to for your Achievement Pin.

First Christian Church in Hugoton on January 1, 2024 at 12:30 pm

Please RSVP to Judy Parsons to have enough materials at 620-453-0732 or judy78@ksu.edu.

HORSE PANORAMA CONTEST

State 4-H Horse Panorama Contests in Salina on Saturday, January 27th. Registration deadline is Tuesday, January 2, 2024. There are virtual contests as well as in person contests. Please contact Judy at 620-453-0732 for more information before registering.

SENIOR RECORD BOOK COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Regional Record Book Judging on Friday, January 19th at 9:30 am.
All Senior County Champions wanting to take their record books to regionals are asked to return their record book to your local Extension Office by Friday, January 12, 2024.

Any volunteer leaders that would like to help judge record books on January 19th, please let Nancy or Judy know.

If you have any questions contact
Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu or Nancy Honig at nhonig@ksu.edu

YQCA TRAINING

If you’re planning to participate in the county fair as a livestock exhibitor, it’s mandatory to complete your YQCA certification. This applies to all market animals that you intend to sell including poultry & rabbits. Additionally, if you’re planning to show livestock at the Kansas State Fair and/or Kansas Junior Livestock Show, you must have completed the certification to be eligible to show.

All youth in the district are invited to attend YQCA Training Day at the Stevens County 4-H Building on January 20th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. Training will include hands-on stations to learn about ear tagging, injections, and biosecurity, among other things.

Another training session is available Ulysses that 4-H youth can attend on February 10, 2024
RSVP at https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cwh3tv0pv9rgljo
For questions contact Jade Greene at jsgreene@ksu.edu

To register for the training go to www.yqcaprogram.org
- Log in or create an account.
- Choose instructor-led training certification, if you want to attend our in-person training.
  - Instructor-led training certification: $3
  - Online certification training: $12

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR?

Are you interested in becoming a Shooting Sports Leader?
If so please contact
Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu or Ron Honig at rhonig@ksu.edu
DISTRIBUTION

COUNTRY CLUB DAYS

Haskell County - January 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm
Seward County - February 3, 2024 at 9:00 am
Stevens County - February 17, 2024 at 9:00 am
Regional Club Days (Grant County) - February 24, 2024

Fill out the form & either email or drop it off to your local Extension Office by your county deadline. Check your county page for more information.

Guidelines and Scoresheets can be found at https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/general/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html

**If you're looking for some help getting ready for club days like talks, demonstrations, or readings, don't hesitate to reach out to your local Extension Agents! They'll be more than happy to assist you in any way they can.

K-STATE JUNIOR BEEF PRODUCER DAY

Date – Saturday, March 2, 2024
Cost – $20/person by February 12
($25/person after February 12)
*Register by February 12 to receive a t-shirt
**All youth & adults attending need to register
***No refunds

Online Registration
https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND

K-STATE JUNIOR SHEEP PRODUCER DAY

Date – Saturday, March 16, 2024
Cost – $20/person by February 26
($25/person after February 26)
*Register by February 26 to receive a t-shirt
**All youth & adults attending need to register
***No refunds

Online Registration
https://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUASIND

BEEF WEIGH IN

Stevens County Fairgrounds:
- February 29th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm
- March 2nd from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Haskell County Fairgrounds
- March 23rd from 9:00 - 12:00 pm

Seward County Fairgrounds
- April 6th from 9:00 - 12:00 pm
*Market Animals may be weighed if desired

SMALL ANIMAL WEIGH IN

BUCKET CALF, GOAT, SHEEP & PIGS!!

Stevens County Fairgrounds:
- April 25th from 4:00 - 7:00 pm
- April 27th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Haskell County Fairgrounds
- April 20th from 8:00 - 12:00 pm

Seward County Fairgrounds
- May 7th from 5:00 - 6:00 pm
**SHOOTING SPORTS MEETING**

Shooting Sports Practices will be held at the Extension Office on Sundays.
- 3:00 pm Air Pistol; 4:00 pm BB Gun
4-H’ers must be enrolled in discipline in order to participate.
- January 7th, January 14th, January 28th
- February 4th, February 11th, February 18th, February 25th

For more information feel free to contact Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu or Bethany Wood at bwood2636@gmail.com

**NEW FAMILY TRAINING**

Monday, January 8th there will be a new family training in Satanta at 6:00 pm

If you have any questions contact Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu

**CLOVERBUDS**

Cloverbuds is for kids who are 5–6 years old as of January 1, 2024.
Meetings will be held every 2nd Wednesday of the Month at the Extension Office.
Cloverbuds next meeting will be held on January 10th from 4:00–4:45 pm

Any questions feel free to email:
Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu or Kristin Penner at pennerkr@ksu.edu

**4-H COUNCIL MEETING**

4-H Council meeting at Haskell County Extension Office on Wednesday, January 10 at 7:00 pm.

**HIPPOLOGY / HORSE BOWL**

Horse Bowl Meetings are open to all District 4-H’ers.
Mondays at 5:00 pm at the Haskell County Extension Office on January 8th & January 22nd

**CLUB DAYS**

Haskell County Club Days will be held on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at Sublette High School starting at 2 pm. Registration deadline is Friday, January 12th by dropping off your application to the Extension Office or emailing your application to Judy Parsons judy78@ksu.edu or Jade Greene jsgreene@ksu.edu

Follow the link for Guidelines & Application
https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/general/General%20Wild%20West%20District.html

**SPRING SHOW MEETING**

Spring Show committee meeting will be held at the Haskell County Extension Office on Monday, January 29th at 6:00 pm
Seward County

**Cloverbuds**
Cloverbuds is for kids who are 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2024. Meetings will be held every 3rd Wednesday of the Month at the 4-H Building. Cloverbuds next meeting will be on January 17th from 4:00-4:45 pm
Any questions feel free to email: Jade Greene at jsgreene@ksu.edu or Judy Parsons at judy78@ksu.edu

**Club Days**
Seward County Club Days will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2024 at Seward County Activities Center starting at 9:00 am. Registration deadline is Friday, January 26th by dropping off your application to the Extension Office or emailing your application to Judy Parsons judy78@ksu.edu or Jade Greene jsgreene@ksu.edu

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**New Office Professional!**
Stop by the Extension Office after the new year to meet the newest member of K-State Research and Extension!

Seward County

**Stevens County**

**Shooting Sports; Air Rifle, Air Pistol & BB Gun**
4-H’ers must be enrolled in discipline in order to participate.
Practices will be held at 4-H Building from 6:00-8:00 pm
(1130 S. Trindle St.)

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**Shooting Sports Contest Dates;**
*February 24* - Gray County; Cimarron
*March 2* - Wild West Shootout; Sublette
*March 16* - Pawnee County Shoot; Larned
April 20 - State Match BB Gun, Air Rifle & Air Pistol; Great Bend

*Proposed dates for Contests*

**Hippology / Horse Bowl**
Horse Panorama will be held at the K-State Salina Campus on January 27th. Meetings are open to all District 4-H’ers.

**Sundays at 12:30 pm, we will be meeting at First Christian Church.**
January 1st, January 7th & January 14th

**Photography Project Meeting**
We will have a Photography project meeting at the 4-H Building on Sunday, January 14th at 3:00 pm
If you have any questions contact Jillian Martin at njqbmmartin@gmail.com
YOUTH LIVESTOCK FARM
The Stevens County Fair Board Youth Livestock Farm is open to any 4-H'ers needing to house their 4-H market or breeding animals - Contact Tony Martin for more information at (620)544-9342

GAS CAPITAL MEETING
The meeting will be held at the Extension Office on Monday, January 15th at 6:00 pm

4-H COUNCIL MEETING
The meeting will be held at the Extension Office on Monday, January 15th at 7:00 pm

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP MEETING
Immediately following the 4-H Council meeting on Monday, January 15th at 7:45 pm for 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.

CLOVERBUDS
If you know any children 5-6 years old as of January 1, 2024, we invite them to join our Cloverbuds program. Meetings won't start until November, enrollment is open. Cloverbuds will meet at the Extension Office from 4:00 - 4:45 pm on Tuesday, January 16th

If you have any questions feel free to contact:
Andreia Moore @ andirosemoore@gmail.com or Kendra Hermreck @ khermreck07@gmail.com

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP; SENIOR PROM HELP NEEDED
Junior Leadership will host the Senior Citizens Prom on Saturday, February 10, 2024. Please call the Extension Office at (620)544-4359 to sign up for the refreshment, decorations, bingo, or photography committee.

Junior Leadership is for any 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP; SENIOR PROM BINGO PRIZES
Junior Leadership will host the Senior Citizens Prom on Saturday, February 10, 2024. We ask that each 4-H'er bring 3 bingo prizes. Please drop them off to the Extension Office during normal business hours before February 9th.

(Home decor, small knick-knacks or items that senior adults would enjoy)

Junior Leadership is for any 4-H'ers that are 12 years or older.

SEWING LESSONS - ONE ON ONE WITH NANCY HONIG
Are you new to sewing or interested in learning? We have sewing machines in the Extension Office and can teach you the basics of using a machine and using patterns.
*You will complete at least one item that can be entered into the fair.

Set up some lessons with Nancy Honig at the Extension Office (620)544-4359 or email nhonig@ksu.edu

COUNTRY CLUB DAYS
Stevens County - February 17, 2024 at 9:00 am
Regional Club Days (Grant County) - February 24, 2024
Fill out the form & either email to Nancy Honig at nhonig@ksu.edu or Evelyn Moran at morane@ksu.edu or drop it off to the Extension Office by February 9th.
Guidelines and Scoresheets can be found at https://wildwest.k-state.edu/4-h/club%20day%20guidelines.pdf

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The camp offers a variety of sessions including mini-camp, half-week and full-week sessions, teen leadership programs, and specialty camps.

Families and young people who are excited to attend the 4-H camp at Rock Springs Ranch this summer can start to secure their spots.

Transportation will be provided from Dodge City. There is a cost of $25 per camper to use transportation. This includes transportation both ways, a meal upon arrival, and a meal prior to departure from camp.

Find out more at https://www.rockspringsranch4hcamp.org/

Half-Week Sessions: (Rising 3rd-12th graders)
- Session #1: June 2-5
- Session #2: June 5-8
- Session #4: June 16-19
- Session #5: June 19-22
- Session #7: June 30-July 3

Week-long Sessions: (Rising 3rd-12th graders)
- Session #3: June 9-14
- Session #6: June 23-28
- Session #8: July 7-12

Mini Camp Session: (Rising 1st-3rd Graders)
- July 14-16

Leaders in Training (LIT): (Rising 10th-11th graders)
- Session #1: June 9-14
- Session #2: June 23-28

Counselors in Training (CIT): (Rising 12th graders)
- Session #1: June 9-14
- Session #2: June 23-28
- Session #3: July 7-12

Specialty Camps: (Rising 6th to 9th graders)
- Ranch Camp: June 9-14
- Shooting Sports Camp: June 23-28

Family Camp: (All ages are welcome!)
- Session #1: May 17-19
- Session #2: August 9-11