

# The Curry County 4-H Times

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## Notes from the Extension Office

The year is flying by, school is almost out, and the Extension Office staff is gearing up for the summer 4-H activities! We are excited and hope to see lots of faces involved with the activities we have happening throughout the summer!

Many of you have purchased your livestock projects and have begun working with those animals to prepare them for the fair, please do not hesitate to contact me if you need help, have questions or would like advice on feed and work routines! I would love to help! I will be scheduling times to come and check on those projects and see how things are going for each of you. There is lots of information in this newsletter regarding livestock and the fair, please read the newsletter and take note of that information.

We will begin judging practices this month, starting off with a couple of orientation meetings on Zoom for the various contest areas on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> with full practices to begin the following week. I have included the practice schedule through June. I will email a copy of the District Contest and State Conference schedule next week for your reference.

Parents and Supporters, the Curry County Youth Supporters will be meeting May 13<sup>th</sup> on Zoom. Youth Supporters is the group that raises the funds that help pay for the 4-H members to attend the many 4-H events and activities, such as Youth Get Away and District Contest. They need parents and supporters to become more involved and to help spread the word and help with fundraising activities and ideas, many hands make light the work.

The new Curry County Extension Office at the fairgrounds is going up quickly and will be an amazing facility once it is completed! Curry County 4-H is breaking new ground and we are just as excited to help build and grow our members as we are to see our new office being built! We look forward to a great summer ahead!

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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# 4-H County Council Report

# Youth Get Away

Hello Curry County! Tessa Lee here, your County Council Reporter with your monthly report!

We have had a busy month! Our fun started with a County Council meeting and Family Fun Night at the beginning of April! 4-H Members from all over the county got to bowl, eat and socialize with fellow members. It was a night to remember! Thank you to our extension office for making that possible! Then, just last week, 4-H members from all over the state had a chance to travel back in time to a Land before 4-H when they attended Youth Get Away in Glorieta. With the help of our extension agents, parents, volunteers and camp staff, campers like myself came home with amazing memories and important life skills. Last, but not least, I would like to remind you all about our community service project for **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 or gift cards. Please bring these items to the Extension office. We are looking forward to our year of service! Thank you to those who brought items to the Bowling Activity. Our next council meeting will be May 21<sup>st</sup> @ 2:00pm via zoom, watch your email for the link. Please check the newsletter for updates on how we are "**Breaking New Ground**" on an amazing year of 4-H!

*Tessa Lee - Curry County Council Reporter*



Youth Get-Away (YGA) 2023, was held at Glorieta Adventure Camp on April 21-23, 2023. The theme this year was Land Before 4-H. During this event, participants had an opportunity to learn about a variety of projects, contests and leadership, as well as participate in community service projects! Thirty-four Curry County members attended YGA this year. Shaylee Priest and Chester Weese represented Curry County as a Counselor and a Counselor in Training and did a great job working with the members. Thank you to the parent chaperones who volunteered their time to go to YGA with us! A big thank you and shout out to the Curry County Youth Supporters who paid the registration fees for each of our members and chaperones to attend! Curry County 4-H members had a roaring great time!

**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.

All contestants must have personal accident insurance and a signed and completed "Consent and Assumption of Risk" form in the extension office by **May 1, 2023**. This is REQUIRED to compete in Sanctioned 4-H Rodeos.

**4-H rodeo dates are:**

- Torrance County Rodeo – April 29-30
- Valencia County Rodeo – May 20-21
- Santa Fe County Rodeo – June 3-4
- San Juan County Rodeo – July 8-9
- Quay County Rodeo – July 28-29
- Dona County Rodeo – August 12-13
- State 4-H Finals – Sept. 22-24  
(tentative location – Curry County Events Center)



NM 4-H will be hosting Horse School this year **June 5-8, 2023** in Socorro. If you are interested in attending, please let Kandy know.



## 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 \*\*\***

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

## Livestock Ownership Deadlines

**May 1, 2023**-Beef  
**June 15, 2023**-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 Lucher  
 Dairy: Mark Brindeiro  
 Poultry & Rabbits - TBD

### 2023 NM STATE FAIR JUDGES

Swine: Ryan Sites  
 Goats: John Romero  
 Sheep: Mark Hoge  
 Beef: Amanda Schnoor  
 Dairy, Poultry  
 & Rabbits - TBD

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

The Curry County Fair is scheduled for **August 14-19, 2023.**

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### **REMINDER:**

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

***Absolutely NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.***



## JACKPOTS

**CITY OF GOLD JACKPOT (ARTESIA) – MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**  
**SUMMERTIME SHOWDOWN JACKPOT (FARMINGTON) – JUNE 9–11<sup>TH</sup> – PIG, SHEEP & GOAT**  
**RED WHITE & BLUE SPECTACULAR PIG JACKPOT AND SHOW CLINIC (ROSWELL) – JUNE 16–17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**LINCOLN COUNTY WAR (ALTO) – JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**  
**HOT SPRINGS CLASSIC JACKPOT (T OR C) – JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup>–17<sup>TH</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**  
**MIDSUMMER SHOWDOWN (HOBBS) – JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**  
**NMBLA INDEPENDENCE DAY JACKPOT (CLOVIS) – JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> – JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**  
**ROOSEVELT COUNTY ALL AMERICAN CLASSIC (PORTALES) – JULY 8<sup>TH</sup> – SHEEP & GOAT**



# Curry County Fairbook Rule Changes

## Junior Livestock Sale

### President

Eric Denton

### Secretary

Jacque Williams

### Members of the Board

Chris Flanagan, Dusty Johnson, Kyle Cain, Lance Sumrall, Luther Dunlap, Michelle Denton, Ryan Willoughby and Walon Jones

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](mailto: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 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.

# Curry County 4-H Dates to Remember

DATE	EVENT
May 1	<b><i>Deadline to Declare Sweepstakes Participation Deadline for Horse Certificates to be submitted Deadline for Rodeo Forms to be completed and submitted</i></b>
May 4-7	NM Shooting Sports Championship - Raton
May 21	Curry County 4-H Council Meeting (ZOOM) 2:00pm
June 5-8	NM 4-H Horse School
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	<b><i>Ownership Deadline for dairy, goats, sheep &amp; swine DNA Deadline for NM State Fair</i></b>
June 14-16	Southern Regional Livestock School
June 20-22	District 4-H Contests – Roosevelt County
June 23 – 24	Northern Livestock School
June 26	<b><i>Ownership Deadline for Rabbits</i></b>
July 1	Last Day to Add Projects
July 10-14	State 4-H Conference
July 15	<b><i>Ownership Deadline for Poultry</i></b>
August 14-19	Curry County Fair
September 8-18	NM State Fair
October 2-7	Eastern NM State Fair

\*\*Please read the newsletter closely for specific details on the county and state events listed above.



## 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 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> & 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. 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 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>.

# SUMMER JUDGING PRACTICE SCHEDULE

In order to qualify for District (novice and junior) or State (senior) level competition, members must attend at least two practices (orientations count as one). The county contest for this year will be conducted throughout the practice sessions. Some component of the contest will be scored during each practice (ID practice, judging class, etc.). Scores will be totaled for county awards. Should the number of youth participating exceed the number of youth our county is allowed at the District or State level, practice scores will determine eligibility (the highest scoring youth will be eligible to move forward). If you would like to participate in a contest that does not currently have practices scheduled or, you are unable to attend the scheduled practices, please contact Kandy to make arrangements to qualify.

Date/Time	Event	Age Group	Place of Practice
<b>Tuesday, May 16</b>			
6:00 p.m.	Judging Orientation Zoom Livestock/Livestock Skill-A-Thon/Meats	Novice, Junior, Senior	Zoom
<b>Wednesday, May 17</b>			
6:00 p.m.	Judging Orientation Zoom Wildlife/Horticulture/Agronomy/Entomology/Parli Pro	Novice, Junior, Senior	Zoom
<b>Thursday, May 18</b>			
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m	Horse Evaluation	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Friday, May 19</b>			
3:00 – 5:00 p.m	Horse Bowl	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
	Hippology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Monday, May 22</b>			
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Wildlife	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Tuesday, May 23</b>			
5:30 – 6:30 p.m	Livestock	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
	Meats	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
	Livestock Skill-A-Thon	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Wednesday, May 24</b>			
5:30 – 6:30 p.m	Parli Pro	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Thursday, May 25</b>			
5:30 – 6:30 p.m	Agronomy/ Ento	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m	Horse Evaluation	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Friday, May 26</b>			
3:00 – 5:00 p.m	Horse Bowl/Hippology	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
5:30 – 6:30 p.m	Horticulture	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
<b>Monday, May 29</b>			
**MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY** Online practices will be sent or posted for points (must be completed before the next scheduled practice to count for full points)			
<b>Tuesday, May 30</b>			
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Favorite Foods	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Consumer Decision Making	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

# 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 Decision Making	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

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Parli Pro	Novice, Junior, Senior	Extension Office
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## 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 Decision Making	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](mailto:midenny@nmsu.edu))**

**Shooting Sports: please contact Kandy and Eric Goodkowsky ([egoodkow@aol.com](mailto: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 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM – location TBD**