



Crowley County 4-H News



June 2009



- June 11 Cloverbud Camp, Otero Extension Office
- June 11 Cake Decorating, Creative Cooks, & Demonstration Contest – 6:00 p.m. – Las Animas
- June 15 Gymkhana – 6:30 p.m. – Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
- June 17 Record Book Workshop – 6:00 p.m. – Otero Extension Office
- June 18 Fashion Revue Workshop – 6:30 p.m. – Grand Theater
- June 22 Record Book Workshop – 6:00 p.m. – Courthouse Annex Meeting Room
- June 23-26 State 4-H Conference in Fort Collins
- June 26 Crowley County Fair Entries Due**
- June 30 Ark Valley Fair Entries Due**
- July 10-11 Missouri Days
- July 11 Shooting Sports Competition – La Junta Gun Club
- July 13 Barn Set Up – 6:00 p.m. – Crowley County Fairgrounds
- July 13 4-H Council – Following Barn Set Up
- July 18-25 Crowley County Days
- July 18 Horse Show
- July 20 Gymkhana – 6:30 p.m. – Crowley County Fairgrounds
- July 21 Cloverbud Fair, Dog, Rabbit, and Poultry Shows
- July 22 Sheep, Goat, and Swine Shows
- July 23 Beef and Dairy Shows, and Round Robin
- July 24 Family Consumer Science and General Projects Interviews
- July 24 Fashion Revue Narrations Due
- August 3 Gymkhana – 6:30 p.m. – Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds
- August 5 Fashion Revue – 9:00 a.m. Judging, 7:00 p.m. Public Program – Grand Theater in Rocky Ford
- August 8-15 Arkansas Valley Fair

Crowley County Days Entries

Crowley County Days will be held July 18-25, 2009. Due date for entries is **June 26**. Entry forms and premium books are available at the Crowley and Otero County Extension offices.

Arkansas Valley Fair Entries

Due date for entries for the Arkansas Valley Fair is **June 30**. Entry forms and premium books are available at the Crowley and Otero County Extension Offices. Fair dates are August 12-16, 2009.

Display Boards for Sale

Display boards for General and Family Consumer Science projects are available at the Crowley County Extension Office. The cost is \$5.00 each.



COOL Forms

Affidavit of Ownership/Country of Original Label Declaration Forms are available on the website (<http://www.extension.colostate.edu/SEA/4-H/Livestock%20Program.html>) or at the Extension Office. These forms are due to the Extension Office on or before June 30, 2009. You must have this form completed and on file in order to sell your animal at the Arkansas Valley Fat Stock Sale – no exceptions!

Scrapies Premise I.D. Requirements

For those members planning on showing sheep or goats at the Arkansas Valley Fair, please note: All breeding sheep and all market ewe lambs will be required to have Scrapies ID tags. All does in the market class and all breeding goats will be required to have Scrapies ID tags. Any registered breeding goat with a legible premise tattoo will suffice as a Scrapies ID tag; however, Scrapies ID tags are preferred. Scrapies ID tags can be obtained by calling the U.S. Department of Agriculture's APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services) at 303-231-5385, or the toll free number at 1-866-USDA-TAG (873-2824). The tags are provided at no cost. We would recommend you call before the end of May, as it might take a month or so to get the tags.

Fair Award Sponsors Needed

The summer is here and it is time to be thinking about the 2009 Crowley County 4-H and FFA Progress Show. You are once again required to obtain sponsorship for the Grand Champion Awards. You must obtain two \$25 sponsors or one \$50 sponsor to be eligible to show at the 2009 Crowley County Days 4-H and FFA Progress Show. The continued support of businesses, families, and individuals that have sponsored in past years is greatly appreciated. We are also always looking for new sponsors; think about places that you do business with on a regular basis.

Remember that award choices are on a first come basis, so get your sponsors early so they get the award of their choice.

If you have trouble getting sponsors please contact Brooke at the extension office and she will give you names to ask and help you get your sponsors. Remember that all sponsorships must

be in the extension office by 4:00 p.m. on June 26th for the sponsor to be properly recognized during Crowley County Days.

Council Meeting Date Changed

The June 22nd 4-H Council meeting has been canceled. The next regular scheduled Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 13th following the barn set up and clean up.

Cloverbud Camp

Calling all Cloverbuds! On Thursday, June 11, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., there will be a Cloverbud workshop at the Otero County Extension Office. This is open to all Cloverbuds in Otero and Crowley counties. Activities will include games, crafts, and a snack. The theme will be focused on science. There is no charge; however, in order to properly plan for the camp, Cloverbuds are asked to please RSVP to the Otero Extension Office by June 8th.

Fashion Revue Workshop

A fashion revue workshop will be held on Thursday, June 18, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Grand Theater in Rocky Ford. Clothing Construction (exception: Sewing for Others), Decorate Your Duds, Recycled Clothing, Creative Sewing, Heritage Arts and Leathercraft members are eligible to participate in the Fashion Revue. Members will have the opportunity to practice on the stage where the judging will be done in August, as well as learn basic skills, ask questions. The theme and decorations for the 2009 Fashion Revue will also be discussed at this workshop.

Fashion Revue

Fashion Revue needs to be listed on the Entry form, which is due in the Extension Office by June 26. Be sure to enter the appropriate class and lot numbers. Fashion Revue narrations are due by July 24. These deadlines apply to all members, including Cloverbuds.

Cloverbud members are encouraged to participate in the Fashion Revue. They can model garments they have decorated, sewn, or altered in some way to personalize their outfit.

Record Books

If you have not already done so, now is a good time to start the dreaded record books. Do you need help? Need help getting started? Have you got stumped and have only a question? I am here to help you with all of those questions. I am setting up two dates that I will devote to helping with record book questions, but if those dates do not work please call or email me and we will set a date that works for you. I will be in the Otero County Extension Office on June 17 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. to help anyone with record books. I will be at the Crowley County Courthouse Annex basement meeting room on June 22 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. for record book assistance as well. Please either stop in or give me a call. Spending an hour each month working on your record books will make them much easier to finish after fair or for exhibit day.

The general and family consumer science record books are due with the project at interview judging on **Friday, July 24th**. The livestock, small animal and horse record books are due on **Friday, September 11th**.

WEBSITE FOR RECORD BOOKS:

www.colorado4h.org

On the side bar under site navigation, click on Project Resources + Record Books; scroll down to livestock, general and consumer science projects.

Shooting Sports Practice Dates

Several dates have been scheduled for Shooting Sports members to practice. Certified Shooting Sports leaders will be available for each practice. In addition, a parent or legal guardian must be present with the youth. Failure to do so will result in the youth not being allowed to participate at that practice.

For practices at the La Junta Gun Club, there will be a range fee of \$1.00 per person per day, and for shotgun, there is a \$3.00 per round fee for clay targets. All practice sessions will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to practice, there will be certified leaders at the La Junta Gun Club on the following dates:

Thursday	June 11	6:00 pm.
Thursday	June 25	6:00 pm.
Thursday	July 9	6:00 pm.

Five-stand practice dates at the La Junta Gun Club will be:

Saturday	June 6	1:00 pm.
Sunday	June 7	1:00 pm.
Sunday	June 14	1:00 pm.
Friday	July 10	6:00 pm.

The Fowler Rifle Club has also scheduled practice dates for 4-H'ers. In order to practice at the Fowler Gun Club 4-H'ers must meet the following requirements:

- All participants must possess an NRA membership card and on file w/ Fowler Rifle Club.
- All participants must be a member of the Fowler Rifle Club. Contact: Roger Lundy @ 263-4960 for membership.

Fowler Trap Shooting Practice schedule is:

Thursday	June 11	6:30 pm.
Thursday	June 25	6:30 pm.
Thursday	July 2	6:30 pm.
Wednesday	July 8	6:30 pm.

For specific practices for .22 with Ross contact him at 267-4103.

Thanks to the certified leaders that volunteer their time so the members can practice. We appreciate your generosity!

Gymkhanas

4-H gymkhanas have started. **Helmets will be required for all participants doing barrels, poles, or flags. It is only the "speed" events that will require helmets.** This does not affect the horse show at the fair.

All Gymkhanas start at 6:30 p.m. so come early to get your horse warmed up and to get entered. In case of inclement weather please call the extension office to find out the status of that evenings gymkhana. A list of dates and location for the gymkhanas is below:

- Monday, June 15, 2009 – Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds – Arena
- Monday, July 20, 2009 – Crowley County Fairgrounds – Arena – Crowley County Days
- Monday, August 3, 2009 – Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds – Arena – Fair

Ford Truck Raffle Tickets for Sale

Crowley County 4-H Members are encouraged to try to sell raffle tickets to a 2009 Ford XLT F150 4x4 pickup. If you are interested in selling tickets please come by the Extension Office to pick up some tickets to sell. Crowley County 4-H will get \$2.00 of every ticket sold and tickets are \$5.00 a piece.

Junior Fairboard Meeting

The next Junior Fairboard meeting will be on Tuesday, July 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex basement meeting room.

General and Family Consumer Science Project Exhibit Requirements

Be sure to read the 2009 4-H requirements! There have been several changes made to the project requirements and you can avoid the surprise and disappointment on exhibit day if you take the time to read about your project now. These requirements spell out what the required exhibit is for general and family consumer science projects, and special 4-H events held during State Fair. We follow the same exhibit requirements for the Crowley County Exhibit Day as the State Fair. The information is printed in the premium books, or you can find it online at: http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf

Thank You

We'd like to thank La Junta Mill and Elevator and staff for allowing the 4-H'ers to use their portable scales for weigh-in in both Otero and Crowley Counties. We appreciate your willingness to provide the scales and your time to help.

Thanks also to the many parents, leaders, superintendents and members that volunteered their time to help. Your efforts helped the event run smoothly and efficiently.

Concession Stand Shifts

Each year the Crowley County 4-H Council does the concession stand at the fairgrounds during Crowley County Days. This is the main fundraiser for the 4-H Council and provides funding to the Council budget for the following year. Each 4-H member enrolled in 4-H is asked to work a shift. The sign-up sheet is at the extension office. Please come by the office and sign up for a shift. If you do not sign up for a shift, one will be assigned to you. The schedule will be printed in the July Newsletter.



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