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The 2020 Train like a Champ Prospect Show will be held **July 18, 2020** at the Washing County Fairgrounds. (1305 E Blue Bell Rd, Brenham, TX). The show is set to start with check in **beginning at 7:30am**. Entries are \$30 per person and has to be paid by July 6th. **NO LATE OR ONSITE ENTRY ALLOWED.** TLC will include following livestock: Steers, Heifers, Goats, and Lambs. Please

reach out to your Extension Agent for a copy of the entry form. laramie.naumann@ag.tamu.edu | 979.732.2082

The 2020 Virtual Bass Fishing Tournament Contest was hosted by District 5 this year. Colorado County 4-H was represented by Jack Dudensing, Kase Weishuhn, Jase Rau, and Kelly Barrnett. This team placed 2nd in State, 1st in District and 1st place for "biggest team cat-fish". Congratulations to the team!



4-H Members Report to Commissioners Court

Colorado County 4-H Council officers and 4-H members are invited to attend Commissioners' Court on **Monday, July 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** We will meet at the Extension Office (316 Spring Street) at 8:45 a.m. and walk over to the Court house from there. Due to COVID-19 mask will be required. Also due to COVID-19 I will need everyone who plans to attend to RSVP by Friday July 10th as we will only be allowed to have 10 participants.

During this time members will give the Judge and Commissioners an update on 4-H encounters that you all have experienced while dealing with COVID-19. There will also be masks available for the 4-H members to give to each Commissioner and Judge as a gift. All 4-H members in attendance will also take this time to introduce themselves.

4-H Council Elections

The Colorado County 4-H Council, Club Managers and both County Agents met on Wednesday, June 17th. The meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Members discussed the Commissioners Court Interpretive event, future club meetings and the Awards Banquet.

4-H council elections will take place virtually online using Microsoft Teams on July 13th at 6:00 p.m. Each Club will be allowed two voting delegates as done previously in the past.

Everyone will receive an email with the Microsoft Teams link provided. By using this link you will be able to log on and participate in the council meeting. We know that this will be different and we are all very eager to be face to face again, but everyone's health and safety is our number one priority.

Awards Banquet—August 16, 2020

The Annual 4-H banquet has been **tentatively** set for Sunday, August 16th, 2020. The banquet will be held at the Colorado County Fairgrounds (1146 Crossroads Blvd). 4-H Council members and volunteers are expected to help with set up from 4:30 p.m. Doors will open for the public at 6:00 p.m.

As of right now we are planning to have the banquet outside if weather allows. Tables will be spaced out and everyone will have to sit with their immediate family and/or invited guests. Mask will be required. You can remove the mask in order to eat. Catered food will be pre-boxed and ready to serve.

Please RSVP to confirm that you will be in attendance. RSVPing will be very important in helping us know how we will need to go about setting up a "social distancing" environment. **PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN FRIDAY JULY 31st.**

Due to COVID-19 each 4-H member will only be allowed to purchase 3 tickets per member. **Tickets will be mailed upon RSVP.** Again, this will be very different from your typical banquets in the past and I apologize for the restrictions. We just have to do the best we can with what we have, all while trying to keep everyone safe. Please contact the Extension Office to RSVP or send an email to jashae.horn@ag.tamu.edu.

2020 Photography & Horse Show

Brooke Wanjura represented Colorado County 4-H Horse Club by competing in this year's District 4-H Horse Show. Brooke and her horse "LadyBug" placed 1st in Junior Barrell Racing, Junior Stake Race, and Junior Stock Horse Horsemanship. Brooke also participated and placed in the pole bending, stock horse trail, showmanship at halter, and reining competition with her horse "Gizmo". Great job Brooke. Thank you for all of your hard work!

District 11 photography resumed as normal online this year. Colorado County 4-H members that placed in this event are as follows:

- Katharine Burnett placing 1st in "Landscape/Nature" and 5th in "People" categories.
- Julie Ana Gobert placing 5th in "Plant/Flora" and "Night", as well as 10th in "Details/Macro" categories.
- Emma Koeth placing 4th in "Elements of Design" category.

Great job ladies! Thank you for your hard work!!

Colorado County Fair Homemaking Deadline Has Not Been Set

Plans for the 40th Annual Colorado County Fair, scheduled for September 9-13, 2020, are underway. Divisions in this year's Homemaking Department (if permitted) will include: Needlework, Handicrafts, Clothing and Textiles, Canned Goods, Baked Confections, King Arthur Baking Contest, Decorated Confections for youth and adults, Horticulture, Collectibles, Country-Style Quilt Contest, Quilters of the Future, and the Go-Texan Quilt. The entry fee for all exhibits is \$1.00 with the exception of Collectibles, which is \$2.00.

There has not been any set date just yet for any deadlines for the Homemaking Department. When the Extension Office is notified of the entry deadlines we will be sure to reach out to each 4-H family via 4-H Connect.

The catalogs for the Colorado County Fair are available at <http://www.coloradocountyfair.org>.

Photography Photos that placed at District:



You're Invited to Colorado County's 2020 4-H Awards Banquet

When: Sunday, August 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Where: Columbus Fairground

Dress: You can dress your Sunday best or wear something casual

Meal: A catered meal will be provided for 4-H member. Each meal will cost \$7.00 for parents and other guests to help cover the cost of the meal .

Due to COVID-19 all 4-H members will be limited 3 tickets per member.

RSVP to the Extension Office by Friday, Monday July 27, 2020
979-732-2530
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- **Decorations—SENIORS WILL BE ALLOWED TO BRING ONE TABLE TO DECORATE WITH ALL AWARDS AND/OR ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT THEY WANT DISPLAYED A THE BANQUET.**
- **Silent Auction—**Each club is allowed to bring 3 items to be sold at the Silent Auction, but will need to bring their own small table to place their auctions items on. The Extension Office will provide bid sheets.
- **Setup—**4-H Council Officers and Banquet committee members need to be at the Fair Grounds by 4:30 p.m. to help with the set up.
- We look forward to seeing everyone at the 4-H Awards Banquet this year! #cc4hmakes the best better

2020 Colorado County Fair Information

The 2020 Colorado County Fair is set for **Wednesday, September 9, 2020 through Saturday, September 12, 2020**. Livestock entries must be submitted to the Colorado County Extension Office between the dates of August 3 through August 14, 2020. This includes open show entries. **Record books will be mandatory for Scramble Heifers and Pen of Three Heifers and must be completed and submitted to the department committee chairperson as stated in Special rules.** Upcoming tag-in dates are as follows:

Broiler Pickup—Broiler chicks will be picked up at the County Ag Building in Columbus on Friday, July 31, 2020. Exhibitors who purchased 25 chicks will need to bring a box with them to pick up. Broiler chicks must be picked up by 5:00 p.m. Broiler entry fee is \$20.00. **Contact Kevin Schmidt for more information.**

Fryer Rabbits—Bunnies may be produced from does that the exhibitor owns or purchased through any other source. Exhibitor must purchase a minimum of five (5) bunnies. If exhibitor wishes to buy more than five they must order in increments of five. There will be a \$20 validation fee per pen of bunnies. Fryer rabbits will not weigh more than 2-1/2 pounds at validation on Saturday, August 1, 2020 **at the Colorado County Fairgrounds. For more information contact Lucy Markwardt, chairman, at 732-3939.**

Pen of Three Heifers, including fourth heifer will be weighed at Colorado Valley Vet Service, 1391 Texas 71 Business. Exhibitor must designate the three head that will show at this official weigh-in. Heifers must come from the same lot—no mixing of two different pens. A mandatory written exam will be conducted. A mandatory interview will be conducted. All entrants are required to participate in the interview and exam to be eligible to show in this division. As part of the interview, a 2-5 minute oral project summary is required to be given.

Colorado County Fair clean-up days have been designated as Saturday, August 29, 2020 beginning with a 8:00 a.m. roll call and continuing to clean-up is complete and exhibitor packets are handed out; and Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and will continue to all areas are cleaned. All 4-H, FFA and Jr. FFA members who plan to exhibit livestock or poultry at the Colorado County Fair must aid in cleaning the fairgrounds on the scheduled workdays. **Any exhibitor failing to do so will have a \$100.00 fee deducted from their sale check.**

Parents Work Requirements—All parents, guardians, or designees of exhibitors who show and sell in the Livestock Division of the Colorado County Fair are required to work a minimum of four (4) hours at either of the entrance gates or another assigned area. It is the parent/guardians responsibility to make contact for scheduling work hours. **COMPLETED WORK FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLY TO THE EXHIBITOR'S DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON.** Exhibitors whose parents/guardians choose not to work a four (4) hour shift will be assessed a fee of \$300 per exhibitor.

The Colorado County Livestock book and entry forms are available on the Colorado County Fair website at <http://www.coloradocountyfair.org/> and at <http://colorado.agrilife.org/>.



Have a Great Summer Vacation!!

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4-H updates and current happenings in Colorado County will be posted to the “**Colorado County 4-H TEXAS**” page as they occur. You can find the page by searching the quotes or going to: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-County/161170703915573>

Colorado County Extension (ANR and FCS) updates and current happenings will be posted on the “**Colorado County Extension**” page. Find the page by going to: [pages/http://Colorado.agrilife.org](http://Colorado.agrilife.org).

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If you need any assistance or help is needed with any livestock projects, please call the office at 979-732-2082 to schedule a project visit. Call 979-732-2530 for other project information and/or assistance.

AgriLife Extension Office hours:
Monday-Friday 8am-5pm
Closed 12-1pm for lunch

Important Websites

Colorado Co. 4-H <http://colorado.agrilife.org/>

District 11 4-H <http://d114-h.tamu.edu>

Texas 4-H <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>

4-H Connect <https://texas.4honline.com>

Texas 4-H Alumni and Friends
<http://texas4hfriends.org>

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