

Weekly 4-H Word

April 18, 2022

NEW IN THIS ISSUE

- Information about the Junior Fair Royalty Contest—look under fair news
- New Office Phone Number to Use
- Information about Rabbit and Poultry check-in
- 4-H Camp Scholarship Form—will be posted later this week



OFFICE MOVE UPDATE

We are now pretty much settled into our new space at the fairgrounds. When you are looking for us or contacting us, that is where to go. When you come to do business with the Extension Office, enter the main building and then the hallway to the left. Follow the signs that will direct you to the entrance to our office space. We are asking our clientele to use this entrance rather than the SFB office window. You can continue to use that window for SFB business.

A couple other things as we move into our busy season:

1. Please remember that our office has not merged with the fair office. If you are doing business with our office—getting projects books, 4-H specific questions, etc.—contact our office and not the fairgrounds (for example, use our phone number not the fairgrounds number to contact us.) While we are located in the same space, we are still individual offices.
2. Please continue to offer us grace as we settle in to our new space, new routines, a new phone system... The moving process has taken a lot of time—packing up the old office, unloading and loading up boxes to move to the fairgrounds, unpacking in our new space. Now that we are settling in, we are trying to catch up on some things we put aside to facilitate our move.
3. Our office hours will continue to be Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. In the summer those may vary. We will update everyone then. If you need to pick up a project book or something else, we can often make arrangements to meet you later if you cannot get to our office during office hours. We also typically, do not respond to emails or phone calls on the weekend but will as soon as possible during the work week.
4. We will no longer be checking our old phone number — 937-456-8174. There is a forwarding message on that number but we cannot actually forward that number to our new numbers. We now have an office phone number. Please use the number below to contact our office. Email also continues to be a good way to contact us.

Extension Office Number 937-300-6007



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

4-H FEST—HOLD THE DATE—JUNE 18

We are excited to announce plans for the inaugural 4-H Fest—a day of learning and fun! While we are still finalizing some of the details we wanted to get the date on your calendars. Please hold the afternoon and evening of June 18.

What is 4-H Fest? We will be offering an afternoon filled with educational sessions for our 4-H members related to 4-H projects. The evening will be open to anyone and will include a cookout, games and activities, and an outdoor movie. The fair royalty contest will also take place in connection with our event. We are thankful that the Village of Lewisburg will be hosting the event this year. In the future, we plan to move around the county.

We are hoping this is a fun and educational day for our community and a way to promote 4-H. We will be looking for volunteers to help with the different activities.

4-H CAMP

Preble County Camp Counselors have started plans for 4-H camp. This year campers will find a variety of fun activities at Jurassic Camp! *Camp will be held June 28—July 2* at Camp Clifton. Look for more details to come.

Remember that 4-H camp is not just for 4-H members. Any youth meeting the age requirements is welcome to attend.

Camp scholarship forms will be posted to our website by the end of the week.

CLOVERBUD DAY CAMP

Cloverbud Day Camp will be held June 15—17 at the Preble County Fairgrounds from 9:30 a.m.—12 noon. Any youth grades K-2 may attend. Registration information will be posted soon.

4-H NIGHT WITH THE DAYTON DRAGONS

Ohio 4-H Night at the Dayton Dragons is back! This is a fun family night to celebrate baseball and 4-H!

Families can purchase tickets directly at www.go.osu.edu/ohio4hdaytondragons. Tickets are \$10.00.

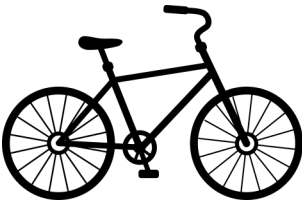
The game is at the Day Air Ballpark in downtown Dayton. The game will be on Saturday, May 7. Game starts at 7:05 pm, with gates opening at 6 pm.

Please be sure to line up behind the outfield lawn area (Lawn D) by 6:15 pm to participate in a pre-game parade of all the 4-H counties in attendance this evening.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact our Dragons representative: Carl Hertzberg - carl.hertzberg@daytondragons.com.



BUCKEYE BRIDGE RIDE



The Friends of Preble County 4-H group is encouraging you to enjoy their annual Buckeye Bridge Ride! The activity will take place this year on Saturday, June 25th. You can find more information at <http://www.buckeyebridgeride.org>. You can also participate in the traditional ride or a family ride in partnership with the Preble Trails organization. This ride is family friendly and only about 1 1/2 miles long

The Friends of 4-H are looking for items for the drawing for ride prizes at the event.

Monies raised at this event benefit our Preble County 4-H program. Riding in the Bridge Ride could count as community service as part of a 4-H project. Plus it is a fun way to get out and do something active! Friends of 4-H encourages 4-H members to come and support this event

4-H PROJECT AND OTHER INFORMATION

PROJECT BOOKS

The 2022 Family Guide is posted on the Ohio 4-H website - <https://ohio4h.org/familyguide>. You can also pick up printed copies on the bookcase outside our office. This year, books can be purchased at our office. Please check with your club advisor to see if your club is placing a group order.

HORSE ID INFORMATION

Again this year, we are asking all members with horse projects to enter ID information into 4honline including pictures of your horse. This replaces the paper form that has been used in the past. Information must be entered **no later than May 12, 2022**. Be sure to add information about a back up horse if that applies. Unfortunately this information does not carry over year to year so even if you entered the information last year, it needs to be added again this year.

If you need help with entering your animals in 4honline, you can contact your advisor or the Extension Office.

FAIR NEWS

QUALITY ASSURANCE

Each Junior Fair youth taking a market or lactating animal to the Preble County Fair must participate in the Quality Assurance Program (QA) by attending a QA class each year OR by choosing the “test out” option. A reminder that a parent or guardian **MUST** attend QA with any exhibitor in grades 3-8.

A flyer with information about 2022 Quality Assurance is posted at www.preble.osu.edu. To help with planning, we are asking that you register for the session you plan to attend.

Updated YQCA information: Youth in grades 9 —12 are eligible to complete QA online. There is a new website for YQCA since we posted our QA information. The YQCA website is <https://yqcaprogram.org/>. Instructions for this website are posted at www.preble.osu.edu.

ROYALTY CONTEST—*new information as of April 18*

Applications for Junior Fair royalty are now posted on the Extension website. Applications are due by May 2. Applications can be dropped off to the Extension Office (at new location). If we are not open, there is a basket on the bookcase in the lobby where applications can be dropped.



RABBIT CHECK INS — new information as of April 18

All breeding and market rabbits are required to come to check in days. Mark your calendars...

Breeding Rabbit Check-In	Saturday, June 25 from 8—10 a.m. in the Toney Building
Market Rabbit Check-In	Friday, July 8 from 7—8 p.m. outside the Toney Building

If an exhibitor is not available to bring the rabbit(s) to the check in, a representative may bring the animal(s).

POULTRY CHECK IN AND POLLURUM TESTING — new information as of April 18

All fancy birds are required to come to a check in. The bird's information will be verified and committee members will be available to answer questions.

Pollorum testing: Any show bird coming to the fair needs to be tested with the exception of birds under one year that have hatchery papers. The fee for testing is \$1 per bird. Turkeys must be tested by a veterinarian.

Saturday, June 25 from 8—10 a.m. in the Toney Building

FEEDER CALF TAGGING

Feeder Calf Tag In will be June 25. More details to come.

FAIR CHANGES

- Exhibitors with market beef, market goats, market lambs and market hogs may tag and show 4 animals. 1 animal per species can go through the sale for a premium bid. Exhibitors will receive the packer price for all 4 animals based on the weight of the animal at the fair weigh in.
- Swine Department: Hogs will now come in on Friday. Weigh-In will be Saturday morning. Show is no longer terminal. The show is no longer ractopamine free.
- Breeding Sheep Show: The word registered was removed from the Supreme Ewe, Supreme Ram and Supreme Flock classes.
- Rabbits: The rabbit barn will be closed to the public during the show

LAMB AND GOAT WEIGH IN

The mandatory tagging and weigh in for market lambs and goats is on **Sunday, May 8, 2021** from 1 – 4 p.m. at the fairgrounds. All market lambs must have scrapie tags at the weigh in. Lambs and goats must have bands for castration. DNA samples and paperwork will be collected at that time. Tags will be purchased the day of weigh in for \$4 each (1 per animal tagged). DNA tubes must also be purchased at a cost of \$4 (1 per animal tagged). Be prepared to pay that day.

The tagging form can be found at: https://preble.osu.edu/sites/preble/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/NancysContent/Market%20Animal%20Tagging%20Form%20-%20revised%20January%202022.pdf

Please complete the form **BEFORE** you come to weigh in.

Tagging instructions will be posted on our website by Wednesday.

MARKET HOG TAGGING—new information as of April 18

Hogs must be tagged by **Sunday, May 8, 2021**. DNA Samples and paperwork will be due that day from 1 - 4 p.m. More specific details will be coming soon.

Tags and taggers will be available at the SFB office on Wednesday, April 20. The cost of tags is \$4 and the

IMPORTANT DATES FOR EVERYONE

May 2		Royalty Applications due
May 8	1—4 p.m.	Mandatory Lamb and Goat Weight in
May 8	1—4 p.m.	Hog DNA and paperwork due at fairgrounds
June 15		Fair Entries Due —information on how to make entries will be shared later this spring
June 15—17		Cloverbud Camp
June 18		4-H Fest
June 18		Junior Fair Royalty Contest
June 25		Buckeye Bridge Ride
June 25	8—10 a.m.	Breeding Rabbit Check In
June 25	8—10 a.m.	Fancy Poultry Check In and Pullorum Blood Testing
June 28—July 2		Preble County 4-H Camp
July 8	7—8 p.m.	Market Rabbit Check-In
July 18—22		Project Judging Week—Livestock and Non-livestock
July 30—August 6		Preble County Fair