

4-H Family Newsletter

Union County Fair and 4-H Information

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Dear 4-H Family:

It's Fair time in Union County! While participation in a fair is certainly not a 4-H requirement, it is an opportunity that many members look forward to all year long.

Many volunteers will work hard in the weeks ahead to help conduct Jr. Fair Activities. Please work cooperatively with them to make your fair experience a positive one. Get yourself ready by reading this newsletter and [your Junior Fair Supplement](#) carefully for information.

Please use the [Jr. Fair Schedule](#) posted on our website for reference.

Toward Making the Best Better,



Christy Leeds
Extension Educator, 4-H

Jr. Fair Exhibitor Passes & Advisor Passes

Junior Fair Exhibitor passes must be purchased as a group by a club/chapter advisor from the Senior Fair Office at the fairgrounds. Jr. Fair exhibitor and Advisor passes are \$5 each. Passes will not be sold to individual members; advisors, please don't tell your member to get their own passes.



Exhibitors: Don't come to the Sr.Fair Board Office for your pass; see your advisor.

SFB Office hours for Advisors to purchase passes are Mon - Fri 9 am – 12 noon or 4 pm – 6:30 pm through July 19, 9 am – 3 pm July 20 – 22, or by appointment. Appointments can be requested by emailing secretary@ohiounioncountyfair.com or by calling Mike at 330-819-3142 to schedule.

Special Interest/ Shooting Sports/ Food & Nutrition/ Clothing Projects Judging Schedules

Check your assigned judging time carefully and plan to arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to that time. If you don't find your name on the schedule, it probably means that an entry was not received. If you have changed your mind and don't plan to participate in judging, please call and cancel by Tuesday, July 19 (937-644-8117). Note the location of each event on the schedule pages. Carefully review your [Project Guideline Sheets](#) that were included in your projectbook. Copies can be downloaded from the website at the link above to review what you need to prepare and bring for judging. Judging schedule links are included below.

Summary of Judging Times:

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| • Food & Nutrition Projects | Wednesday, July 20 | 9am-Noon | Armory |
| • Shooting Sports Projects | Wednesday, July 20 | 1 pm - 5:30pm | Armory |
| • Clothing Projects | Thursday, July 21 | 9 am - Noon | Armory |
| • Special Interest Projects | Thursday, July 21 | 9 am - 4:30 pm | Armory |
| • Special Interest Projects | Friday July 22 | 9am – 4:30 pm | Armory |

Special Interest Project Awards Program

Special Interest Project Awards will be presented on **Tuesday, July 26** at 3:45 p.m. (Following the 4-H Style Review) at the Pavilion on the fairgrounds. Demo Day Awards will also be presented at this time. State Fair packets for those selected to take a Special Interest Project to The Ohio StateFair will be given at this Awards Program. Please try to be present to receive this information. For many projects there is a very short turnaround time between our fair and The Ohio State Fair Event for which you may be selected.

Reminder: The Armory will **BE CLOSED** all day on Saturday, July 23, while the Jr. Fair Board members put projects on display and place award stickers on Special Interest Projects.

Junior Fair Premium Vouchers

Junior Fair Exhibitors will receive their premium(s) via cash, at the conclusion of their interview or Skillathon. A Jr Fair premium is given for participation in the Department Judging event (interview or Skillathon) and having the project on display for the designated time period. Exhibitors will sign for their premium money as they receive it.

Information for Livestock Exhibitors

In each livestock barn, there is a bulletin board where information is posted. Every exhibitor should stop by this spot at least once a day to check for information or updates pertaining to their barn. For example: Showmanship Class lists will be posted here.

Barn Pass Information (For Livestock Exhibitor families)

Any livestock family wishing to get a barn pass can obtain 1 Barn pass per family, in person, at the Senior Fair Office on the Fairgrounds. Family names will be checked off a list of livestock exhibitors. The Senior Fair Board will be enforcing the one (1) pass per family rule. This Barn pass sticker allows a vehicle to drive toward the barns for unloading feed/equipment **between the hours of 10pm and 9am**. Each livestock family will need to sign for their own barn pass at the Sr. Fair Office; these cannot be picked up by advisors. For questions about this Barn pass privilege, ask the Senior Fair Board. SFB Office hours to purchase passes are Mon - Fri 9 am – 12 noon or 4 pm – 6:30 pm through July 19, 9 am – 3 pm July 20 – 22, or by appointment. Appointments can be requested by emailing secretary@ohiounioncountyfair.com or by calling Mike at 330-819-3142 to schedule.

Livestock Arrival Times - All livestock must enter the State Route 4 fair entrance.

Species	Arrival	Barn Meeting	Weigh In and Pictures
Horses	Friday, 7/22 after 3 pm	Orientation: 6:30 pm Fri. 7/22	Skillathon: Fri. July 22, 7 pm
Market Goats	Sat. 7/23, 6 am – 1 pm	1:30 pm Sat. 7/23	2 pm Saturday, July 23
Market Lambs	Sat. 7/23, 6 am – 1 pm	1:30 pm Sat. 7/23	2 pm Saturday, July 23
Market Swine	Sat. 7/23, 6 am – 5 pm	5:30 pm Sat. 7/23	6 pm Saturday, July 23
Poultry	Sun. 7/24, 4 pm – 7 pm	7:15 pm Sun. 7/24	Right after barn meeting*
* Turkeys – photos only, no weigh in; Market Broilers and Market Ducks, weigh in and photos			
Dairy and Beef	Sun. 7/24, 6 am–11 pm	9:30 am Mon. 7/25	10 am Monday, July 25
Rabbits	Sun. 7/24, 9 – 11 am	11:15 am Sun. 7/24	Right after barn meeting

Move-In Reminders:

- All poultry exhibitors will be asked to pay \$2 for shavings at the time of check-in.
- Each Rabbit Exhibitor will pay \$5 for shavings upon check-in on Sunday.
- Beef and Dairy Exhibitors may begin bringing equipment into the barn at 9am on Saturday, July 23. Barn chart will be posted at 9am, so do not move in prior.
- Mulch will be provided for bedding for all market beef. It will be placed in your assigned stall space. Mulch fee will be assessed per head @ market price.



Drug Use Notification Forms

Drug Use Notification Forms must be completed online prior to arrival at the Fair. DUNF's must be completed July 18-22. The deadline is Noon on July 22. All market exhibitors will receive a link via email at the email address used to create the fair entries on July 18 to complete the DUNF. The DUNF form is exactly the same as past years but will be filled out and signed digitally. It will only take a few moments to complete and sign online.

If an exhibitor's DUNF form is not completed online, they will not be permitted to weigh in/show.

Each market, lactating dairy cattle, and goat exhibitor will need to complete a DUNF for each animal or pen they bring to the fair. Non-market animals, like single rabbits, do not need to complete a DUNF.

Livestock Skillathons

Each exhibitor can download a Skillathon Study Guide for their specie. The Skillathon Study Guide describes each station in your Skillathon to help you prepare. Please review the Livestock Skillathon schedule on the [Fair Schedule](#).

Each livestock exhibitor should bring their Livestock Record Book and a pencil to the Skillathon. Be sure you have the record book and have it completed before the fair. (Hint: The Record Book is one of the easiest ways to earn Skillathon points because you can do it all in advance!). Skillathon Study Guides and Livestock Record Books are available on-line at: <https://union.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/study-guides-skillathon-information> See the enclosed Jr. Fair schedule for your Skillathon time.

Adults Needed for Skillathon Moderators

Back this year, we will once again utilize adults to help moderate our Skillathon stations. All of our Skillathons are staffed by adults who volunteer their time to help moderate a station and help the exhibitors do their best job in the Skillathon. If you are willing to help moderate a Skillathon, please volunteer to the appropriate coordinator as follows:

Horses: Jennifer Kessler
Swine: Marti Dellinger
Poultry: June Seymour
Sheep: Christy Leeds

Beef: Keagan Nicol
Dairy: Chris Sayers & Julie Zeigler
Rabbits: Rachel Jones & Mary Schmidt
Goats: Lori Bowman/Sarah Ramge

Dress Code Reminder

Review the dress code in the Fair Supplement. Remember that the Dress Code applies:

- ✓ For pictures
- ✓ For Showmanship
- ✓ For Show Ring
- ✓ For Livestock Sale

Let's show pride in ourselves, our projects and our 4-H Program!

Poultry NPIP Reminders

All poultry exhibitors must have current NPIP papers in order to cage their birds at the fair. This is state law. This includes all fancy poultry, pullets, and all market birds (broilers, turkeys and market ducks). Only pigeons, exhibition ducks and exhibition geese are exempt.

IF you ordered market broilers or turkeys through Dick Cryder, he has the paperwork. If you ordered market ducks through June Seymour, she has the paperwork.

Market Livestock Pictures

For exhibitors of Market Livestock Projects, a picture will be taken of you and your animal by the Livestock Committee and given to the buyer of your animal during the Livestock Sale. These are the pictures you see hanging in area businesses, often for years. **Therefore, it is important that you be dressed appropriately at picture time.** You do not have to be in “show clothes” for pictures, but you must be neat, clean, and appropriately dressed. (No torn clothing, no hats, no undergarments showing, etc.)



Use the Show Dress Code as a guide. This means no T-shirts, no hats, etc. If it's not possible to be dressed appropriately for pictures, it may not be possible for you to participate in the sale.

If you are not going to be present at weigh-in (someone else is weighing your animal for you), it is **your responsibility** to submit a 4x6, vertical, picture of yourself with your animal to the JuniorFair Office by Noon on Wednesday, July 27, in order for you to participate in the Livestock Sale.

Jr. Fair Livestock Sale – July 30 Reminders and Updates

Animal Destination Forms

To consign your market livestock project to be sold in the Livestock Sale you must complete a yellow Animal Destination Form (ADF). It is due **immediately** following your show. Animals ARE NOT automatically consigned to the sale. If you do not turn in a ADF, you will not sell.

Parents: Please make absolutely sure this task is completed before your child leaves the barn after the show. Please indicate the status of **ALL** market animals on the Animal Destination Form. For example: Going through sale, Going Home, or Going on Packer Truck.

Sale Order: The Junior Fair Livestock Sale will begin on Saturday, July 30 at 10 am and species will sell in the following order: Dairy Products, Dairy Feeders, Market Ducks, Hogs, Market Turkeys, Market Goats, Market Lambs, Pen of 3 Rabbits, Market Beef, Pen of 4 Broilers. The only animals that will be taken to the sale ring will be Grand and Reserve Champions. All other exhibitors must be present and walk through the sale ring without their animals.

Buyer Information

If you would like a Buyer Information Packet to invite a potential buyer to the sale, contact any member of the Livestock Committee or email committee chair, Sara Quick at s.quick114@gmail.com.

Updates for this year

To participate in the Livestock sale: The exhibitor must put the animal designated for sale on the resale truck. The animal designated for the sale cannot be released before the sale because of illness or other reasons.

The Livestock sale will take place in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn. The only animals that will be taken to the sale ring will be Grand and Reserve Champions. All other exhibitors must be present and walk through the sale ring without their animals.

Because the sale will be in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn, rabbits and birds will be released Thursday at 8 pm so the barn can be cleaned and then set up for the sale.

The option to have an animal processed is very limited - Jenkins Meats will not be able to accept appointments on the day of the sale.

Two Community Service Opportunities at the Union County Fair

- ✓ **Clover Corner** hosted by the 4-H Council, is located in the Armory. Clover Corner is to promote 4-H! Adult Volunteers are needed to help promote 4-H and staff Clover Corner from 4-9 pm, Tuesday – Saturday. Contact Kate Falk (tigger_58_62@yahoo.com) if you'd like to be a Clover Corner Volunteer.

- ✓ **Show Ring Bleacher Cleaning**
Help is needed to clean up trash from under the bleachers after each livestock show. The job is too big to be accomplished alone. Volunteers will gather the trash from under the bleachers and place it near the driveway trash barrels where it can be collected. The sign-up list will be posted on the bulletin board in the Junior Fair Board Office at the fairgrounds.

Review the Rules!

For those of you who are new to fair participation, be aware that fair participation is an option, and that youth and families who choose to participate must educate themselves about the rules and procedures which govern each exhibition. When you choose to become a fair exhibitor, you have moved beyond the realm of 4-H, and into the arena governed by our Agricultural Societies (Fair Boards).

It is your responsibility to read and know the rules pertaining to exhibiting. It is not somebody's job "to tell you". Make sure to read the rules for the Department you are entered in from the [2022 Junior Fair Supplement](#).

Richwood Independent Fair News

Richwood Jr. Fair Entry Cards are available now. Completed entries are due Monday, August 1. We will take entries at the Extension Office until 4 pm on August 1. Fair Queen and King Applications are also due August 1.

Tattooing (mandatory) for Pen of 3 Meat Rabbits for the Richwood Fair will be held Saturday, August 6, at 9 am at the Richwood Fairgrounds. Each exhibitor may tattoo a maximum total of 6 rabbits.

Special Interest, Food and Nutrition, and Clothing judging will be on Sunday, August 28. The Richwood Fair is from August 31 – September 5.

Additional information related to the Richwood Independent Fair can be found here: <https://richwoodfair.com/junior-fair/>.

4-H Camp Lost and Found

Items that were lost and found at 4-H Camp are here at the Extension Office. We will keep lost and found items until August 1.

Cloverbud Day Camp

Cloverbud Day Camp will be held August 8 and August 9 from 9:15 am – 3:15 pm each day. It is open to 4-H siblings and other youth who have completed K – Grade 2. Day 1 will be at the OSU Extension Office. Day 2 will include a charter bus trip to 4-H Camp Clifton departing from and returning to the Extension Office. Refer to the Cloverbud Day Camp link for complete details and the registration information. Registration is due July 14.