



O'Brien County 4-H Newsletter

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Office News

The O'Brien County Extension Office is open. Let us know what we can do to help you. 4-H clubs can begin meeting but must follow a few guidelines on the Iowa 4-H summer best practices document.

Fair planning is underway for 4-H and FFA exhibitors. A new fair book and updated schedule are coming. If you would like a fair book printed email or call Sarah.

Club Meetings

O'Brien County 4-H Clubs can begin meeting again with a few guidelines. All face to face programs in the county are recommended to follow these expectations.

- *Capacity of the facility is limited to 50% and it is expected that the facility or location must accommodate safe practices such as social distancing, etc.*
- *Do not share supplies.*
- *Food preparation as an activity or to serve should be limited to pre-packaged.*
- *It's EXPECTED that face coverings and social distance practices will be used.*
- *It's EXPECTED that facilities will have adequate restrooms for handwashing and social distancing.*

Please keep in mind that some families may not feel comfortable meeting as a large group, so what else can be done to make them feel included: video, phone or wide open spaces.

Summer Camps 2020

Summer camp signup is underway! The experience may be different, but the excitement is still there. All camps will have a take home crate of supplies for the camp. Youth can follow online with the educator to complete the camp experience if they choose. Sign up online for all camps at nwiasummercamps.fairentry.com All camps are \$5!

O'Brien County Fair

Fair is 42 days away! Our fair will happen, but it will run different than in past years. Printed copies of the fair book available upon request.

The fair livestock shows will be a show & go style. Example: Swine weigh in Wednesday am, hour break, show begins, show ends and swine go onto truck for the pack. No livestock or ribbon auction will take place. See updated schedule on next page. A live stream of the show ring events is being planned. Updates will be released as they come.

Exhibitors and spectators are EXPECTED to practice social distancing and RECOMMENDED to use face coverings and wash hands frequently.

Food at the fair has not been determined, but the 4-H food stand will not be operating at the fair.

FairEntry

To enter for the O'Brien County Fair you will need to go to obriencounty.fairentry.com. Use your 4-H online login email and password. This is where you enter what you are doing & bringing to the fair. All livestock entries are due July 6 and non-livestock July 12. FFA exhibitors please call the Extension Office to enter for the fair.

Certificate of Veterinary Inspection

All beef, sheep, goats, swine, bottle bucket calf, dairy, horse are required to have a certificate of veterinary inspection within 21 days of the fair. All certificates can be turned in when you unload your animals at check in. A vet can come to your house and will give you a sheet after they look your animals over. Animals can be on the same sheet.

YQCA

All 4-H youth need to take YQCA if you are showing an animal at the fair. Email Sarah for a code.

4-H Bottle Bucket/Clover Kids Bottle Bucket Calf

4-H bottle bucket exhibitors need to have a green folder booklet turned in by July 12. There will not be face to face interviews for this project. **The show has been moved to Monday July 20 at 10am. Arrive about 30mins prior to the start of the show.** Clover Kids bottle bucket calves will follow the 4-H calves. All Clover Kids need to show with a caring adult in the show ring!

Swine

All swine need to be paylean free. Swine need to weigh between 230-320lbs.

Poultry

Dust your birds on or around July 1.

Beef

All market beef will be weighed from 6am-8am July 21. No bedding will be provided but stalls will be assigned by club. The beef show will start at 8:30am or a half hour after weigh in is completed. Show order will be: Breeding-alpha order, Cow/calf, Feeder Calf breeding, feeder market heifer, BB feeder, Dairy BB feeder, Feeder market steer, Market Beef Heifer, Market Beef Steer. Showmanship will be before or after lunch depending on time and will have to sign up ahead of time in fair entry to participate.

Non-Livestock

All non-livestock will be judged State Fair style. Projects will be dropped off at the Open Class Craft building July 17 or July 18. Club schedule times for drop off will be coming soon. Families will follow the new set up and then go home. All projects will be judged and ready for pick up Sunday July 19 from 1:30-4pm. Premium money will be handed out when the projects are picked up.

Communication Events and Style Show

Communication Events: Working Exhibit, Educational Presentation, Share the Fun and the Clothing Events: \$15 Challenge, Clothing Selection, Fashion Review will be judged on the Maass Stage Saturday July 18; time TBD. A sign up will be listed in fair entry that you can select a preference, so we can get everyone scheduled.

No conferencing with the judge.

At the O'Brien County fair this year there will be no conferencing with the judges. This is for all projects that have used this method in the past. Includes: non-livestock, communication events, fashion events, bottle bucket project and pen of three.

Dates to Remember

June 6 – Fair Entry Opens

July 6 - Livestock Entries DUE

July 12 – All fair entries DUE

July 18-22 – O'Brien County Fair

2020 O'Brien County Fair

Fair set up will be done by Fair board members

All events in the schedule are tentative and could change at anytime.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

4:00-7:00 pm 4-H non livestock projects can be dropped off for judging

SATURDAY, JULY 18

7:30–9:30 am - 4-H non livestock projects can be dropped off for judging

10:00 am—4-H Non-livestock judging will take place @ Open Craft Building

1:00 pm—Begin Judging Ed Pres/Working Exhibits

3:00 pm—Share The Fun Evaluation, 4-H Clothing Event

7:00 pm – Auto races sponsored by Primghar Jaycees

SUNDAY, JULY 19

12:30 pm—Horse Projects must be checked in.

1:00 pm – Horse Show

1:30-4:00 pm Non-livestock exhibit pick up

8:00 pm—Fair Queen & King Coronation **Family Only**

MONDAY, JULY 20

8:00 am—Rabbit Check-in

9:00 am – Rabbit Show

9:00 am –Sheep and Goat Weigh –in

10:00 am—4-H Bottle/ Bucket Calf Show then

Clover Kid Bottle Bucket Calf Show

10:00 am –Dairy must be in place.

11:00 am—Poultry Check -in

12:00 noon – Broiler Contest Judging

12:00 noon – Advanced lamb Pen Evaluation

*Sheep Show (Immediately following Pen Lambs)

*Bottle Lamb Show (immediately following sheep show)

*Goat Show (immediately following bottle lamb Show)

12:30 pm – Live Poultry Judging followed by baby chicks

3:00 pm (approx.)—Dairy Show (Or Immediately following Goat show)

TUESDAY, JULY 21

6:00-8:00 am—Beef weigh-in

8:30 am—Beef Show

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

7:00 am—Swine Weigh-in

10:00 am—Swine Show

THURSDAY, JULY 23

Clean-up will be done by the fair board members

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