

# 4-H News to Know

## June/July 2016



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There may be a few times that both Robin and Beverly are NOT able to be in the office. We will try to keep you posted with these necessary office closures. Call before you make the trip. THANKS!

*It is very important that you read through the entire newsletter for any information that may pertain to you and your projects for the County Fair!*

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*Custer County Courthouse will be closed  
on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> to celebrate our  
Independence Day!*

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**Check out the Custer County 4-H Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/CusterCountyCO4H>

**Volunteers Needed to keep the Home Ec Building Open during Fair -**

We have tentatively scheduled the Home Ec Building to be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day of the fair beginning on Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> and going through Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup> till noon. We need your help to keep it open. Visitors to the fair will not be able to enjoy all the projects

exhibited if we have to lock the building up. Please consider helping for any amount of time you can spare. Time slots are usually marked in 1 hour increments. Thanks for your help!

***If you would like to ride in the Ford F150 Truck Raffle truck in the parade on Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>, for the Rodeo Parade, then come to the fair grounds at 8:30 am that day. It's always fun to be in the parade and show off your 4-H spirit!***

County fair is almost here! I know you are all busy with your projects. Don't forget to fill out those record books! If you need help, your club leaders are there for you or you can come into the Extension office and we can help you.

Please support your fellow 4-Hers by coming to the week long events at the County Fair! The schedule is listed in the Fair Book that's posted on the website. Check out all the events - you may discover a new one!

***County Fair Info*** - FAIR BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE: go to [www.custercountygov.com/ext](http://www.custercountygov.com/ext) then click on the 4-H section. The Fair dates are fast approaching.

The dates begin on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> with the fairground clean up work session starting at 8 a.m. All 4-H and FFA members are required to attend and help clean up. Bring your rakes, mowers, weed eaters, shovels, fuel etc. to get the fairgrounds in shape for the fair. Again, YOU are REQUIRED to be there to help!!

The Shooting Sports .22 and shotgun competitions will follow the clean up on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 p.m. at Cactus Flats shooting range in the Florence area.

The Extension Office will move out to the fairgrounds before July 11<sup>th</sup>. We will not have the Office open at the courthouse during the week of fair. For any help, information, etc. come out to the fairgrounds.

**4-H Project Requirements** - The Custer County Fair follows the Colorado State Fair requirements on all you indoor projects. These projects include: child development, clothing construction, entomology, foods, heritage arts, model rocketry, outdoor adventures, photography, robotics, scrapbooking, shooting sports, vet science, visual arts and wildlife. The

2016 requirements, e-records, tip sheets and score sheets are all posted on the State 4-H website at: <http://www.colorado4h.org>

**Indoor Projects Interview Judging Required** – All indoor projects - child development, clothing, entomology, foods, heritage arts/quilting, leathercraft, model rocketry, outdoor adventures, photography, robotics, scrapbooking, shooting sports, vet science and wildlife are required to go through the interview process. A 15 minute time slot is allocated for each project. A tentative schedule will be sent to your email addresses so please watch for it. Please review and let us know if we need to make any changes BUT do it soon! We need to know by **Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>** so we can get the final schedule out to everyone.

All of these projects requires a record book to be turned in with the exhibit. These will all be turned in on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 a.m. Any exhibits or record books turned in after this time will be considered late and points will be deducted. The interview schedule will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please plan to arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled time just in case we schedule changes.

Questions likely to be asked during the interview process for your projects are:

1. Why did you take this project?
2. What did you think you might learn in the project?
3. How much experience did you have before you started this project?
4. What do you like the most about the project?
5. What do you like the least about the project?
6. What did you do for the first time in this project?
7. Who helped you decide what your project would be?
8. Where did you get help?
9. What new things did you learn?
10. How will you use what you have learned?
11. What would you like to learn next?
12. If you were to do the project again, would you do anything differently?
13. How do you feel your project could be improved?
14. Technical questions about your project: what tips you used for your cake, how high your rocket flies, your target practice session, etc.

**Custer County Fair Board Weights to be eligible to sale:**

**Market Beef** – minimum 1,000 lbs.

**Market Sheep** – minimum 105 lbs.

**Market Goat** – minimum 55 lbs.

**Market Swine** – minimum 220 lbs. maximum 290 lbs.

**Market Rabbits** – (3) pen, max age 10 weeks, weigh 2-5 lbs. each

**4-H & FFA Livestock Project Folders** – Don't forget to pick up your livestock exhibitor folders on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> before weigh in. Some forms need to be completed and returned to the Fair Office BEFORE you can weigh your animals.

**Horse Practices Scheduled** - If you are interested in attending Marci Wommack's horse practices, mark these dates on your calendars:

Every Wednesday, beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m. and will continue thru July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Gymkhana practices will be held at 6 p.m. these same days. If there is bad weather, the practice will be held the next day.

**ALL OTHER PRACTICES WILL BE HELD:** every Friday in June from 1-5 at the Cowboy Church, and July 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at the Fair Grounds. Please attend as many practices as you can!

*No written horse test this year!*

CUSTER COUNTY FAIR  
JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> – 17<sup>TH</sup> 2016

## Custer County Fair board

President - Alisha Shy 719-371-5001

Vice President - Lynetta Gillmore 719-371-4792

Secretary - Marliisa Gonzalez 719-229-5483

Treasurer- Donna Hood 610-761-2770

4-H Youth Representative - Keli Smith

Members at large include Sue Roberson 719-371-2433, Duane Foster 719-783-0142, Diane Rose 719-371-2496, and Audrey Gluschke 719-371-2624. Lia Coleman, FFA Advisor and Robin Young, 4-H Agent are ex-officio to the board.

The meetings are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at the Annex. Meetings are open to everyone. Thanks to all of you who work hard to put on the Custer County Fair!

**Very Important Message from the Fair Board regarding policy:**

## **Custer County 4-H and FFA Custer County Fair Livestock Participants.**

The Fair Board is implementing a new rule on the clean-up day and the clean-up of the livestock stalls after the fair.

The Fairgrounds clean-up day is always the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of fair week. You are *required* to participate in the clean-up of YOUR fairgrounds. If you can't make that date, you **MUST** contact the Extension Office **BEFORE** the clean-up day. You will be assigned clean-up duties during the fair. This includes ALL 4-H and FFA members who participate in the Custer County Fair. The stall assignments will be posted, but you may not start preparing your stalls until AFTER the regular clean-up of the fairgrounds is finished. If you do not comply with this rule, you will be docked 20% of your livestock sale check. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Extra animals will vacate the fairgrounds by the sale on the last Sunday of the fair. When all sale animals are removed, you are responsible for cleaning up your stalls. This includes taking out all of the shavings down to dirt. You are responsible for taking all of your equipment out of your stall. All stalls will be cleaned no later than the Tuesday after the sale at 8am. If you do not comply with this rule, you will be docked 20% of your livestock sale check. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

**Market Livestock Exhibitors** – have you written your buyers' letters yet? If you haven't, then there is still time to do that. This is definitely a nice way to say "hope to see you at the fair and sale and thanks for your support".

**Sale Committee Members** – These ladies are working diligently to make this one of the best Jr. Market Livestock Sales ever! Please lend them your support!!

Deborah Fischer 719-942-3716

Karalee Rowley 719-371-1169

Ilene Squire 719-371-3208

Lia Coleman 719-371-6221

Brianna Livengood 719-371-4839

### **List of Leaders – below is a list of current club and project leaders:**

Janet Freeburg – Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader 719-783-2136

Marci Wommack – Silver Spurs Club Co-Leader and Horse Project Leader 719-371-0480

Alisha Shy – Trailblazers Club Leader 719-371-5001

McKenzie Huffman – Triple C Clovers Club Leader 719-530-1596

Bill Baker – Shooting Sports - .22 Rifle and Shotgun project Leader 719-942-3027

Greg Watkins – Shooting Sports – Archery Project Leader 719-371-7474

Audrey Gluschke – Resource Leader 719-783-2292

Lisa Behrman – Horse Leader 719-371-0352

Katie Smith – Resource Leader 719-942-3899

Hailey Felks – Horse Leader 913-314-0882

Donna Hood – Resource Leader 610-761-2770

Cheryl Laramore – Resource Leader 719-338-9694

Jake Shy – Horse Project Leader 719-429-0846

**4-H Foundation Pork Dinner** – is scheduled for Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:00 p.m. The proceeds from the meal will go to the Custer County 4-H Foundation. Please put this on your calendar and show your support!

**Custer County 4-H Foundation** - The 4-H Foundation meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 8:30am at Cliff Lanes. Your 4-H Foundation Board members are:

Audrey Gluschke 710-783-2292

Donna Hood 610-761-2270

McKenzie Huffman 719-530-1596

Cheryl Laramore 719-338-9694

Polly Miller 719-783-2733

**Display Boards Available** – we have a limited supply of the proper size display boards for your 4-H Indoor projects. They are \$3 each. Stop by to pick one up for any of the projects you need them for.

## Shooting Sports

**Archery Safety Meeting/Practice Sessions** – The practice sessions are held at the Cowboy Church on Saturday's at 9 a.m.

**Firearms - .22 and Shotgun** –Practices are on Fridays at the Sangre Shooting Sports Range at 9 a.m.

**Jackpot Shows** – Several of our 4-H youth have been attending jackpot shows around the area with some great results: Grace Watkins at the Hoehne Jackpot - Goat: Grand Champion Market Goat, Reserve Grand Champion Senior Goat Showmanship, 1st in Class Heavyweight Market Goat. Sheep: 2nd in Class Heavyweight Sheep, 3rd in Senior Sheep Showmanship. At the Fishers Peak Jackpot, Grace also won -Class 2 Market Lambs - 1st place, Class 4 Market Lambs - 1st place, Grand Champion Senior Lamb Showmanship. Congratulations, Grace.

If any of our other 4-H youth would send in your jackpot results, we will get them posted as well!

**Custer County Friends of NRA Raffle** – you will find a flyer below advertising the gun raffle hosted by the Custer County Friends of NRA. NRA supports the National 4-H Shooting Sports Program, so Custer County 4-H Shooting Sports program supports the Custer County Friends of the NRA in their efforts. You will read on the flyer that a limited number of tickets are being sold so this is a great opportunity to try to win! The Extension Office has a small supply of tickets that we are selling. Stop by to get your tickets and your chance to WIN!

**The Ford Truck Raffle is back again.** Any Club or 4-H project members can sell tickets to raise money for their club or project. You will need to come to the Extension office to get tickets and each stub needs to be accounted for.

**\*You should sell raffle tickets because:**

It is a great fundraiser: **Clubs will receive 50% back (plus bonuses!!)** of proceeds raised, there is nothing to order and/or deliver, all expenses are paid by the Foundation, and prizes are taken care of by the Foundation.

Colorado State University, U. S. Department of Agriculture and Colorado counties cooperating. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

Individuals requiring special accommodations to participate in any activity, program or service should notify the program coordinator at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled event.



# ENTER TO WIN THE 2016



Colorado  
4-H Foundation

## RAFFLE

TICKETS \$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

### GRAND PRIZE:

NEW 2015 FORD F-150 SUPER CREW TRUCK

### PLUS:

11 CASH PRIZES  
FROM \$100-\$1,450



Drawing will be held  
**September 17, 2016**  
CSU vs. UNC Football game half-time  
Hughes Stadium, Fort Collins  
Proceeds benefit  
the Colorado 4-H program.  
Winner need not be present to win.

[WWW.CO4HFOUNDATION.COLOSTATE.EDU](http://WWW.CO4HFOUNDATION.COLOSTATE.EDU)



# 2016 Custer County Fair

## July 11<sup>th</sup> through 17<sup>th</sup>

Did you know...

**Any Custer County resident can compete at the Custer County Fair?**

### You Can Enter Your Exhibit in:

Call for Classes

**Open Pantry** (Preserved foods, Baked Goods, Beer, and Wine)

**Needlework** (Includes Clothing)

**Arts and Crafts** (Ceramics, Woodworking, Leathercraft, Macramé, Fiber, Weaving, Painting – oil and watercolors, Photography, Scratch work, Pastels, and others)

**Floriculture** (Cut Flowers, Arrangements, Centerpiece, Potted Plants)

**Gardening And MORE**

### No Entry Fee Required

#### EXHIBIT CHECK IN:

Custer County Fair Grounds  
Home Economics Building  
Monday, July 11, 7:00 am

#### EXHIBIT JUDGING:

Monday, July 11, 9:00 am

#### EXHIBIT RELEASE:

Monday, July 18, up to 9:00 am

## Show off your talent!

**Call 783-2514 for complete rules and class information.**

**CSU Extension, Custer County, P O Box 360 205 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Westcliffe, Co. 81252**





**The Custer County Weed Advisory Board**

**Presents the 2016**

# **CUSTER COUNTY ANNUAL WEED TOUR**

Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 1:00pm

Meet at the All Aboard Westcliffe 110 Rosita Ave.

**WHAT IS SUCCESSIONAL MANAGEMENT?  
PRESENTED BY GEORGE BECK**

**Free Lunch for Registered participants**

Please call the CSU Extension Office to register at 783-2514 by June 22nd  
Or e-mail [robin.young@colostate.edu](mailto:robin.young@colostate.edu)

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