

Fillmore County Bi-Weekly Update

March 27, 2019

This update is scheduled to be available through email, Facebook and the web page on the second and fourth Wednesday's of the month, and is in addition to the monthly newsletter. See below for upcoming meetings, events, and Fillmore County 4-H information!

NOTE: active links are blue in color and underlined, click on the link for more information.

Fillmore County Activities!

Enroll in 4-H, ID animals and register for fair!

For a quick review of all the steps to accomplish this, see the new flow chart [here!](#)



4Honline Deadline for Youth and Animals – Deadline May15 (this does not register you for fair)

- All Youth must be enrolled in 4Honline by May 15 to be considered on time
- For more information about what happens if you do not register on time, click [here](#).
- **All livestock must be registered by May 15 to be considered on time – This includes ear tags and leases!**
 - If you have an animal that needs an ear tag that did not come to a weigh-in, you will need to come pick them up in the office. Also, families enter any animal that did not come to a weigh-in themselves. Click [here](#) for a guide on how to do this.
 - There are new lease forms for 2019. We will not accept the old ones. The new lease form can be found [here](#).
- **If you need assistance with 4Honline after hours in May, there will be a number to call.**

All livestock information sheets have been updated for 2019. To find out how to ID your livestock, please see the info sheet for the appropriate species.

[2019 Animal Lease form](#)

[Animal Science Updates for 2019 \(All Species\)](#)

[Beef](#)

[Dairy](#)

[Meat Goat](#)

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[Dairy Goat](#)

[Rabbit](#)

[Poultry](#)

[Horse](#) - Also due by May 15, includes a picture, coggins and leases.

[Sheep](#)

[Swine](#)

[Biosecurity for tagging swine](#)

FairEntry REMINDER! FairEntry open May 16-June 15 (Register for fair here!)

[FairEntry](#) will be used again this year to sign youth up for fair. It will open on May 16, after 4Honline closes, and will be open until June 15. This year we will still be asking families with livestock to add the animals into the classes that the youth will show in.

***Please make sure to register each child for every class they may show in.** If you have 2 kids and 6 animals and you are not sure who is showing what yet, register each child for the appropriate class for each animal. This means that each child will have 6 classes they are registered for, even if they will only show in 3. The other 3 will be scratches. Animals can be switched between siblings until verification (weigh-in at the fair). If you have questions about this, please contact the Extension office.



Livestock Quality Assurance Training – Due by July 5 in Fillmore County

4-H animal science members have options for livestock quality assurance training. All youth who would like to be able to participate as state fair 4-H livestock exhibitors in beef, dairy, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbit, meat goat, dairy goat and lama must complete livestock quality assurance training requirements before the County Fair.

In 2019, there will be two training options:

1. A three-hour, in-person workshop - Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics (LQA&E). This is the traditional training most youth are used to. There will be a training held in Fillmore County on June 12 that will be free to Fillmore County enrolled youth. This training will be good for three years. If youth cannot make it to the June training but want the hands on training, this can be taken in any county. Many surrounding counties will be offering this training in April and May. There may be a small fee to take this training in another county and youth will need to register in advance. See the [schedule](#) of trainings throughout MN.
2. A one-hour online training - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA). There is a \$12 charge per youth for this training. Each youth must take this individually. Once you have the certificate, please send a copy to Rebecca and Heather. This training is good for one year. This training can be taken when the youth has time, but the certificate must be sent to the Extension Office on or before July 5 to show with full privileges. These certificates will not be accepted after July 12 and must be accompanied with the one time exemption form to show with full privileges. See [directions and steps](#) for completing the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals online training.

Youth completing either quality assurance training option will receive a certificate of completion.



Weigh-in Dates for Goats/Sheep – May 4, 9 -11 am

The Goat/Sheep weigh-in is scheduled for May 4th from 9 am-11 am at the Fillmore County Fairgrounds in the big

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barn. Please make sure you arrive with plenty of time before the end of either weigh-in. For more information on what to do if you cannot make these mandatory weigh-in dates, please go review your options [here](#) in advance. Please be sure to bring your ID paperwork with you filled out. A letter has already been sent to all families enrolled in the sheep and goat projects in 4Honline.



New 4-H Agronomy Project!

Minnesota 4-H has started a new Agronomy Project and Fillmore County is one of the pilot counties this year! It is so new, there is not yet a web site. If you are interested in growing plants or learning about agriculture and technology, let us know and we can get you pointed in the right direction. This can be a small project for fair or a larger, year-round project. Just let us know your interests and we will help get you started. Please contact Extension Office at 507-765-3896 or lofgr053@umn.edu with questions.



3rd Annual Fillmore County 4-H Rabbit Fun Show and Clinic - May 4th

Fillmore County will be hosting a rabbit fun show and clinic on May 4th at the Fillmore County Fairgrounds in Preston.

- \$2 per rabbit for show and Free Education Clinics
- Show Registration: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Show begins: 12:00 p.m. (MN State Fair breed classes and a Cloverbud class)
- Market Rabbit & Judging Clinics begin at 10:00 a.m. Learn the ins and outs of raising, showing, and processing Market Rabbits, with an opportunity to taste rabbit meat.
- Awards: Best in Show, Reserve in Show, Best of Breeds, and 1st -3rd Ribbons for each class. Champion Novice, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Showmanship
- Food Stand hosted by Fillmore County Rabbit Project
- Please feel free to bring rabbits available for sale
- **This is a 4-H event and all 4-H rules and polices will be followed. All participants must be enrolled in 4-H upon showing. If not currently enrolled, paperwork will be available for youth to have one day membership.
- Please contact Extension Office at 507-765-3896 or lofgr053@umn.edu with questions or [see the flyer](#)



Biosecurity and Herdsmanship for All

Biosecurity is always something that should be on a person's mind, especially when bringing animals to shows. To help with understanding what biosecurity is and some tips on how to keep animals and humans healthy, please watch [this video](#) with youth. And remember to complete your herdsmanship duties at fair this year!



Goldcard reminder!

This is just a friendly reminder to continue selling Goldcards, then turn in the money and any unsold cards by April 13. In case you are not sure what we use the money for, below is a list that every 4-H member can benefit from, and without this fundraiser, many of these things would not be possible.

Specific items that Federation has put money towards just in the last year or so are...

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- Reimbursement to 10 youth for national level trips, with an 11th coming up in April
- New buzzer systems for Project Bowl, 3 of which made it to the State Level in Redwood Falls
- Funding to help the Fairboard pay for fair improvements like fans in the poultry and rabbit barn, sandbox etc
- Ambassador events like the Lock-in, community service projects, and new Cloverbud activities for our youngest members
- The bus to state fair
- Donation to the Fairboard towards the new speaker system
- Funds to upgrade/replace items in the foodstand (our other major fundraiser)

And the list continues. Please share with your club members and the people who are helping to support 4-H by purchasing a card what this funding helps provide. We are a very lucky county that we have the funds to provide all of these opportunities and improvements to the program.



PICTURES!

Please send us pictures of 4-H youth and activities. If you want any specific photos shared on Facebook, let us know. It is great to have these for PowerPoints, banquets and reports, etc. each year.



Fillmore County Horse Updates

If you have any questions you can contact Deb Haugsted at haugstads28@hotmail.com and she will get back to you within 24 hours.

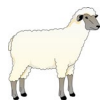
- Minnesota 4-H State Horse Rulebook and Fillmore County 4-H Points Sheet informational meeting. Sunday 3/31/2019 3:00 pm @ Fillmore County Extension Office. A group of HPDC adults have requested this meeting to get more information and clarify any questions about the 2 topics. This meeting will be more geared towards adults, however, any youth are welcome to attend.
- The 4-H Horse tack swap at the 2019 MN Horse Expo NEEDS YOU! The Tack Sale that occurs at Expo on April 26-28 benefits the MN 4-H Horse Project. Without it, costs for state-wide events would sky-rocket. Workers are needed ahead of time, during the sale, and at the close of the sale. If you would like to help with this event [sign up](#) today. Questions [email](#) Jill Olson, tack sale volunteer coordinator. <https://extension.umn.edu/4-h-events/horse-expo-tack-sale>
- New this year will be the Challenged Rider Program. This program is for youth who want to be a part of the Fillmore County 4-H Horse Project and have a physical or mental challenge. Participants in this program will be mentored by youth/adults that are currently enrolled in the Fillmore County 4-H Horse Project and will participate in the Fillmore County Fair. If you know someone who would

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- be interested in this new and exciting program, please contact the Fillmore County Extension Office. They do have to follow all the 4-H guidelines and be a registered 4-H member. Grades 3-12+ are welcome. If you have further question about the program, contact Alysha Himle or Melissa Ketterhagen.

Out-of-County Educational Opportunities



Brown County Sheep Clinic March 30th

When: Saturday, March 30, 2019 at

Where: Meidl Farms Shop, 41631 180th Street, Springfield, MN 56087

Time: Lunch served at 12:00PM, Program will begin promptly at 12:30PM

Topics/Presenters

- Bio-security and Lap AI presented by Dr. Phil Gill of Riverside Animal Clinic
- Show Lamb Selection Tips presented by Nate Resch of N & H Livestock
- Nutrition presented by Heidi Doering-Resch of Form-a-Feed

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Crow Wing County Rabbit Fun Show – April 28th

Where: Curling Arena, Crow Wing County Fairgrounds, Brainerd

Cost: \$2 per rabbit

Registration: 8:30- 10am

Judging begins: 10:00 a.m.

Awards: Best in Show, Reserve in Show, Champion Senior Showmanship, Intermediate Showmanship, Junior Showmanship

***This is a 4-H event and all 4-H rules and polices will be followed. Code of conduct will be enforced. All participants must be enrolled in 4-H upon showing. If not currently enrolled, paperwork will be available for youth to have one-day membership.*

Please contact Extension Office at 218-824-1069 or sarahu@umn.edu with questions or see the [web site](#).

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Horse Judging Invitational on Friday March 29th

The University of Minnesota Crookston is hosting their Horse Judging Invitational on Friday March 29th. For more details and registration information visit www.z.umn.edu/umchorseinvitational



Kandiyohi County 4-H Horse Offerings!

Kandiyohi County 4-H is offering two horse events open to youth from any county enrolled in the MN 4-H Horse Project. Both events will be held at the Kandiyohi County Fairgrounds in Willmar.

- 1) [Horse Project Clinic](#): Saturday, May 18th- Sunday, May 19th, 2019
- 2) [4-H Youth Show](#): Saturday, June 15th, 2019

Regional and State Level Activities



Dairy Exploration Day – April 13th

A special day to explore the dairy project, for youth in grades 6 and above! Dairy Exploration Day has been planned for Saturday, April 13th, near Murdock MN. We encourage youth to participate in the industry presentations, facilities tour, and hands-on learning labs!

For details on the day and how to register, click [here](#).

The day is limited to the first 40 youth to register. Parents/volunteers are also welcome to attend and assist with group activities.

Additional questions can be directed to Blaine Novak at 701-331-9930, bnovak@umn.edu or Marcia Woeste at 218-232-4975, woest001@umn.edu.



JoAnn Fabrics is Partnering with 4-H

Through all of March and April, JOANN fabrics is running a promotion with 4-H. Please help by sharing this in your programs.

- At checkout, JOANN will be asking customers if they would like to buy “Clovers for Kids” for \$1 or \$4. Encourage those involved in your program to do so as they are able.
- At some JOANN stores, 4-H fabric will be sold. This is great time to buy it for upcoming service projects, sewing camps, or other 4-H events!
- JOANN has a 4-H rewards program. Every day, members get 15% off of their purchase and at least 2.5% goes back to 4-H. It’s also free!

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2019 4-H SE Regional Summer Camp

The Minnesota 4-H Camping program develops leadership and responsibility skills for teen counselors, while providing a safe and fun opportunity for the campers through activities, which allow them to gain knowledge and develop social skills while meeting new friends. 4-H staff and high-school aged camp counselors are prepared and ready to deliver an exciting and safe camp for you!

You don't want to miss 4-H Regional Camp this summer!!!

Who: Youth in grades 3-5 & 6-8 – Camp is open to all youth, so invite your friends to join in the fun!

When: June 24-26, 2019 (Monday-Wednesday) – Grades 6-8

June 26-28, 2019 (Wednesday-Friday) – Grades 3-5

** Families may enroll their 5th Grade Youth in the 6-8th Grade Camp –please see [registration form](#).

Where: Whitewater State Park, between St. Charles and Elba on Highway 74 at the Modern Group Camp

Cost: \$80/ Camper (Early-Bird Rate by May 1, 2019)

\$100/ Camper (after May 1 and before June 7, 2019)

Registration fee includes meals and lodging for three days/two nights, supplies, camp water bottle, and a camp t-shirt. Registration fees are non-refundable. Space is limited, so register ASAP!!! Please request any accommodations for disabilities or special needs by May 15.

Watch: Promotional Camp Video <https://z.umn.edu/visitcamp>

Register: The [registration form](#) is available on county Extension websites.

Questions: Contact Nicole Pokorney at pokorney@umn.edu or 507-536-6304

Fillmore County 4-H Dates and Documents



Federation Meeting Agendas and Minutes now online

The [Federation meeting agendas and minutes](#) are now online. They will be updated as we have Federation meetings.

Federation Meetings – Meetings will be held at 8 pm at the Extension Office unless otherwise noted.

April 13 – Turn in Goldcards by 6 pm

May 11

August 10

October TBD









4-H Ambassador Meetings - Meetings will be held at 7 pm at the Extension Office unless otherwise noted. These dates may change!

April 13
May 11
June TBD
July 6
August 10
September TBD

Upcoming Meetings and Events

April 2 Fairboard Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office Rm 108
April 3 Auction Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office Rm 108
April 8 HPDC Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office Rm 108
April 11 Livestock State PDC Webinar, 7 pm, Link on Fillmore County 4-H Google Calendar
April 13 Goldcard Turn-in, 6 pm, Extension Office Rm 108
April 13 Ambassador Meeting, 7 pm, Extension Office Rm 108
April 13 Federation Meeting, 8 pm, Extension Office Rm 108

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