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Eastland County

4-H Newsletter



October 2023



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Club Meeting Dates



Carbon 4-H Club

Monday, October 23rd

@ 6:30PM

Carbon Christian Academy
515 Anthracite St Carbon, TX

Club Leader: Randi Gibson

Phone: 254-631-9353

Email: randilynngibson@gmail.com

Cisco 4-H Club

Tuesday, October 17th

@ 6:30PM

Myrtle Wilks Community Center
1498 I-20 Frontage Rd Cisco, Tx

Club Leader: Sarah Sellers

Phone: 817-602-2251

Highway 6 4-H Club

Tuesday, October 3rd

@ 5:30PM

Leon River Cowboy Church
491 CR 447 Eastland, TX

Club Leader: Shandy Monty

Phone: 254-631-7105

Rising Star 4-H Club

Monday, October 16th

@ 4:30PM

First Baptist Church
306 N Main Rising Star, TX

Club Leader: Caryl Lawrence

Phone: 325-642-8616

Email: hccattlecompany@gmail.com

Adult Leaders & 4-H County Council

Wednesday, November 15th @ 5:30PM

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Practice Dates



Shooting Sports

Archery

Monday, October 16th

6:00 PM

Eastland Archery Range

CR 536 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: Randi Gibson

Pistol

Tuesday, October 17th

5:30 PM

Eastland Rifle & Pistol Club Range

599 CR 536 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: Chris Gibson

Rifle

Monday, October 30th

5:30 PM

Eastland Rifle & Pistol Club Range

599 CR 536 Eastland, TX

*Project Leaders: TJ Cummings &
Judge Jon Glenn*

All participants must be enrolled in 4-H and be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Food Challenge

Wednesday, October 4th

Wednesday, October 18th

4:00 PM—5:30 PM

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102 N Lamar Suite 307 Eastland, TX

Project Leader: Amy O'Brien-Glenn

\$10 fee to participate in Food Challenge (to assist with food cost) (cash or check)

All participants must be enrolled in 4-H and be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

All participants must wear closed-toe shoes, have hair tied back and no jewelry or loose clothing.

Ag Product ID

Tuesday, October 3rd

Tuesday, October 17th

4:00 PM—5:00 PM

Eastland County Extension Office

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Project Leader: Amy O'Brien-Glenn

\$5 fee to participate in Ag Product ID (to assist with food cost) (cash or check)

\$5 for an Ag Product ID Study Guide (cash or check) (updated guide is 460 pages, can be accessed for free online)

All participants must be enrolled in 4-H and be accompanied by a parent/guardian.



4-H ENROLLMENT

V2.4HONLINE.COM



ALL 4-H Members & Adult Volunteers will need to re-enroll for the 2023-2024 year.

Clover Kid enrollment fee is \$10

4-H enrollment fee is \$25 (increases to \$30 on Nov. 1st)

****All 4-H members who plan on participating in the Eastland County Stock Show must be enrolled in 4-H by October 31st****

****All 4-H members who plan on participating in Archery, Pistol, Rifle and/or Food Challenge, must be enrolled before attending their first practice****

QUALITY COUNTS

All 4-H members, 3rd grade and above, who plan to participate in any major stock shows will need a Quality Counts number.

All members who will be showing for the first time or members moving into a new age division will need to complete the Quality Counts curriculum and test at the following link:

<https://agrifilearn.tamu.edu/s/product/quality-counts/01t4x000008HBZdAAO>

****Entries for major stock shows cannot be submitted without a Quality Counts number****

For more information,
please call the Extension Office at 254-629-2222.



OLD RIP FEST & ONE DAY 4-H



Saturday, October 7th in Eastland, TX

Eastland County 4-H will be participating in the Old Rip Fest parade this year!

All Eastland County 4-H members are encouraged to attend!

Wear your 4-H shirt (or white & green)!

*4-H Club Leaders will be riding on the float with the 4-H members.
Parents will be able to watch the parade and pick their child up after.*

Further information on times and locations will be sent out via Facebook and emails as soon as possible.

Eastland County 4-H will be doing a Canned Food Drive for this year's One Day 4-H Community Service Project.

Bring your canned food items with you when you get on the parade float.

Canned food items will be donated to the Eastland County Food Pantry.

DISTRICT 8 LIVESTOCK SKILL-A-THON & AG PRODUCT ID CONTEST

**Thursday, November 9th
Lakeview Baptist Church
7717 TX 317 Belton, TX**

Entries due October 13th

Individual or team entry





EASTLAND COUNTY 4-H FOOD SHOW & FOOD CHALLENGE



Friday, October 27th

Beginning at 9:00AM

(A full schedule will be sent out by Monday, October 23rd)

Judge Scott Bailey Event Center

102 N Lamar St Eastland, TX 76448

2023 Food Show theme— *“Food Through the Decades”*

Entries due: Friday, October 13th

Entry forms and rules will be available at all Food Challenge practices or can be found on our website at:

<https://eastland.agrilife.org/eastland-county-4-h/4-h-contests/eastland-county-4-h-food-challenge-food-show/>

New! Clover Kids can now participate in Food Show!

(Clover Kids are not eligible to advance to District)

All 1st place Food Show winners will advance to the District 8 4-H Food Show Contest.

All 1st and 2nd place Food Challenge teams will advance to the District 8 4-H Food Challenge Contest.



BEGINNING SEWING

“MAKE AND TAKE”



Saturday, October 14th
10 AM—2 PM
JT Ranch Quilt Shop
706 Conrad Hilton Blvd Cisco, TX

\$25.00 per member

Bring good scissors, a seam ripper, fabric pins and a lunch.

Must RSVP at 254-629-2222 by Tuesday, October 10th.

All participants must be enrolled in 4-H and be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

CHICKEN ORDERS

Chicken Orders are due by October 18th.

For the Eastland County Stock Show, orders will contain 25 birds and cost \$40.50.

County show orders can be split by multiple 4-H members or families.

Information on pick-up dates will be sent to each ordering family as it becomes available.





LIVESTOCK VALIDATION



Sheep & Goat Validation:

Tuesday, October 17th 4PM—6PM @ ECLRA Show Grounds

- All major show sheep must be at validation (market & breeding)
- All major show goats must be at validation (market & breeding)
- All market county show sheep must be at validation
- All market county show goats must be at validation
- Breeding county show sheep do not need to be at validation
- Breeding county show goats do not need to be at validation
- **Registration papers must be in the exhibitor's name and must be brought to validation**

Heifer Validation:

Saturday, October 21st 8AM @ Cattle Exchange Sale Barn

- All county show heifers must be at validation
- All major show heifers must be at validation
- **Registration papers must be in the exhibitor's name and must be brought to validation**

Pig Validation:

Tuesday, November 14th 2PM—6PM @ ECLRA Show Grounds

- All major show pigs must be at validation (market & breeding)
- All county show pigs must be at validation (market & breeding)
- **Registration papers must be in the exhibitor's name and must be brought to validation**

Rabbit Validation:

Tuesday, December 12th 4PM—6PM @ ECLRA Show Grounds

- All market rabbits must be at validation
- Breeding rabbits do not need to be at validation, but must text TJ Cummings at 254-488-1249 with the following information: Exhibitor's name and each rabbit's breed, age, sex and tattoo.



DISTRICT 8 HOLIDAY CLASSIC



**Saturday, November 4th—Sunday, November 5th
Bell County Expo Center (301 W. Loop 121 Belton, TX)**

Open to all 4-H and FFA members in grades 3-12. No entry fee.

Bring your cattle, lambs, goats and swine to learn more about how to care for and show your livestock projects!

Youth exhibitors and families will receive hands-on training to learn the basic principles of livestock management and showmanship, followed by a Prospect Show on Sunday!

Youth must attend the Saturday clinics to participate in the Showmanship Contest and Prospect Shows

SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

Saturday, November 25th

Gorman FFA Barn

325 2nd Street Gorman, TX

Sheep & Goats start at 9:00AM

Pigs start at 10:30AM

Free clinic open to all Eastland County 4-H & FFA youth

For more information, contact TJ Cummings at 254-488-1249
or Shawn Boles at 254-977-0935





STOCK SHOW ENTRY DAY



Thursday, November 2nd

8:00AM—7:00PM

@ Eastland County Extension Office

**All major stock show entries & payments are due to
the Extension Office on this date**

Major stock show entries require a Quality Counts number to enter

We can only accept cash or check.

Checks should be made payable to “Eastland County Ag Fund”.

Cash must be the exact amount. We cannot make change.

All payments will include a \$5 processing fee per family, per stock show.

**If you cannot make it to the office on this day,
please call us in advance to make other arrangements.**

*For more information, please call the
Eastland County Extension Office at 254-629-2222.*



23-24 4-H YEAR UPDATES & RULE CHANGES



- Clover Kids will now have a \$10 enrollment fee.
- 4-H Members will have a \$25 enrollment fee until October 1st. The fee will increase to \$30 on November 1st. Volunteers will have a \$10 enrollment fee.
- All club leaders, assistant club leaders, project coaches, bank account signers and others who would like to help at meetings, practices, or community service events, **MUST** enroll in 4-H as a volunteer and complete the trainings and background screening.
 - ⇒ Parents who plan to only observe are not required to enroll but are highly encouraged to.
- All 4-H members must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at club meetings, project practices, community service events and when visiting the Eastland County Extension Office
 - ⇒ If a member's parent/guardian is unavailable, other arrangements must be made to have the member accompanied by a responsible adult.
 - ⇒ Members cannot be dropped off – they must always be accompanied by a parent/guardian or other responsible adult.
- Eastland County Extension Agents and Office Staff will not be able to provide transportation to 4-H members to or from any meetings, practices, contests, or events.
 - ⇒ Transportation can possibly be provided by other approved 4-H volunteers, if available, to district contests/events – this **MUST** be arranged through the Eastland County Extension Office to ensure all guidelines are followed.
- ALL club fundraisers, donation requests and community service projects **MUST** be approved and arranged by the Eastland County Extension Office
 - ⇒ Donation requests **MUST** come from the Eastland County Extension Office on official Extension/4-H Letterhead



If you have any questions, please contact the Eastland County Extension Office at 254-629-2222 or eastland-tx@ag.tamu.edu

