

2007 4-H Fairs/Expositions Entry Deadlines

All due to Dodge County Extension Office by 4:30 on Deadline Date except where noted.

Entry/Fee Deadline	Event	Event Date	Event Location
JULY 6 Fashion Revue (fabric & narrative) Presentations Parade Float Favorite Foods Revue Cake Decorating	Fremont 4-H Fair	July 11-15	Christensen Field Fremont, NE
Note: Pre-entries must be postmarked by July 6. Late entries will be dropped one ribbon placing.			
JULY 20 Club Booth (static exhibits) Fashion Revue Favorite Foods Day Contest Livestock Stall/Pen Request Shooting Sports Contest Cake Decorating	Dodge County Fair	August 1-5	Dodge County Fairgrounds Scribner, NE
AUGUST 7 Animal Shows	Nebraska State Fair	August 24 – September 3	Nebraska State Fair Grounds Lincoln, NE

Animal Science Opportunities

4-H Horse Project Advancement Levels on the Web!

You can now access all of the information about the 4-H Horse Project Advancement Levels on the web site: <http://www.animalscience.unl.edu/extension/equine/4H/advancementlevels.html>. You will find the same information that is in the Advancement Levels booklet, plus some "Helpful Web Sites" for members to find information while preparing for each level test.

Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Show

There will be NO qualifying required to enter the Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Horse Show in 2007! Exhibitors MUST be 12 years of age as of January 1 AND have passed Level 2 for English and Western Pleasure, English Equitation, Western Horsemanship, Reining, Barrel Racing and Pole Bending. Level 3 must have been passed to enter Hunter Hack and all the advanced classes. More information can be found at: <http://www.aksarben.org/4H/index.htm> Entries are due August 17 to the UNL Extension Office in Fremont.

Sheep Blankets

Are you missing your sheep blankets from fair last year? We may have them, contact the UNL Extension Office in Dodge County to claim them.

Wisner Junior Livestock Show

The Wisner Junior Livestock Show Committee has announced the dates as July 5-8 at Wisner River Park in Wisner, Nebraska. This is a perfect opportunity for all Dodge County 4-H and FFA members to take part in an early show before Fremont 4-H Fair and Dodge County Fair. The various shows include: Market Beef, Bucket Calves, Dairy Cattle, Market Swine, Goats (Dairy & Pygmy), Rabbits, Market Lambs, Horses, Livestock Judging, Dogs and Pets. For more information contact Ray and Kathy Johnson 402-396-9149, Ryan and Stacy Jacobs 529-6777 or Tim and Lisa Montgomery 402-529-6279.

1st Annual 4-H FFA Meat Goat Show

On June 30 in Atlantic, Iowa the Cass County Fairgrounds will host the 1st Annual 4-H FFA Meat Goat Show. Registration will be from 8:00-10:00 a.m. with the show beginning at 10:30 a.m. Entry fees are \$10.00 per head. For more information contact Curt Rush at 712-249-7861 or stop by the UNL Extension in Dodge County for a program flyer.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Equine News

The first issue of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Equine News will be mailed out to 4-H horse families, horse enthusiasts, horse association, club members, and extension offices. Nebraska Equine News provides current important educational information to equine audiences. In the future, this quarterly newsletter will be available only on the World Wide Web at <http://4h.unl.edu/equine>. This site will also include additional links and horse-related information, as well as a form to sign up to receive e-mail notices for new newsletter postings and timely communications. Topics highlighted in the first issue include: UNL Equine Science Option Programs, Extracurricular Collegiate Equine Opportunities, New DVD Resources for 4-H Families, UNL Horse Donation Program, Information for Prospective Students, and Salt Needs of Working Horses. Nebraska Equine News is a joint effort between the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, Extension 4-H Youth Development, and the Department of Animal Science.

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR & AK-SAR-BEN OPPORTUNITIES

There are many other 4-H animal science and leadership opportunities at the Nebraska State Fair and Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Livestock Exposition then exhibiting livestock. Many of these opportunities have scholarship dollars associated with them. Look at the opportunities on their web sites or contact the Dodge County Extension Office for more information on how to become more involved.

- **Nebraska State Fair 4-H Premier Exhibitor Contest** (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy) @ <http://4h.unl.edu/pdf/2007Fairbook/2007PremierExhibitor-FNL.pdf>
- **Nebraska Master Showmanship Contest** (One entry per county / State entry due August 17 to Nebraska Department of Agriculture) find more information at: <http://www.agr.ne.gov/showmanship/rules.pdf> or the UNL Extension in Dodge County Office, 402-727-2775.
- **Ak-Sar-Ben Premier Exhibitor Contest*** (Dairy Cattle, Feeder Calf, Horse, Beef, Market Broilers, Market Lamb, Market Swine)
- **Ak-Sar-Ben Catch-A-Calf Contest***
- **Ak-Sar-Ben 4-H Youth Ambassador Contest***
- **Ak-Sar-Ben J.L. Thurmond Superior Showmanship Award***

* 2007 Ak-Sar-Ben Entry forms are posted at: <http://www.aksarben.org/4-h/index.htm> AND are available at the UNL Extension in Dodge County Office.

Ashland's 9th Annual Open Horse Show Benefit

The 9th Annual Open Horse Show is a benefit for the Saunders County Horse Bowl Team, it is sponsored by Platte Valley Wranglers 4-H Club. It will be held at the Ashland Rodeo Grounds on August 11, 2007, in case of rain the show will be held at the Wahoo Fairgrounds Indoor Arena in Wahoo. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. with the show starting at 9:00 a.m. Fees are \$4.00 per member office charge, \$4.00 per class or \$20.00 for all day. Contact the UNL Extension Office in Dodge County for a complete class listing or for more information contact Mary Eggeling at 944-2231 or Karen Brinker at 944-2810.

Norfolk Meat Animal Exposition

The Norfolk Meat Animal Exposition is Sunday, Sept 9 at the Northeast Community College Ag Complex. Entries are due August 24 to the Norfolk Area Chamber. All market calves must be nose printed and be in the chamber office by April 1. Calves will be received on Saturday, Sept 8 from 3:30 - 7 p.m. For an entry form contact the UNL Extension Office in Dodge County.

Family Livestock Judging Contest

The Dodge County 4-H Family Livestock Judging Contest that was held Thursday, June 7 at the Dodge County Fairgrounds in Scribner. Twenty-nine youth and 14 adults from six area counties took part in this annual event. Family members entered in the various age categories ranging from five-year-olds to adults. Participants competed as individuals as well as on teams. The seven teams entered consisted of three or more immediate family members and team total scores consist of the top/highest three scores from each family team. The contest was organized by the Dodge County 4-H Council and included one class of market steers, one class of breeding heifers, one class of market lambs, one class of breeding ewes and two classes of market hogs. Three of the classes also included a set of five questions with a total of 375 possible points. In addition to making livestock arrangements, the 4-H Council sought nearly 100 prize donations from area individuals and local businesses. The prizes were awarded to the top five individuals in each category, to all of the seven family teams and additional consolation prizes were awarded to the remaining contestants. The official for the contest was Mandy Johnston of Blair. The top winners in their

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respective divisions were as follows:

Clover Kids (7 years old & Under) / Noncompetitive & Participation Only

Erin Franzluebbbers, Dodge

Junior Division (8-11 years old)

- 1st Hunter Schroeder, Howells
- 2nd Haley Schroeder, Howells
- 3rd Aaron Hemme, Fremont
- 4th Kylie Hanson, Ceresco
- 5th Elizabeth Franzluebbbers, Dodge

Intermediate Division (12-13 yrs old)

- 1st Cale Went, Monroe
- 2nd McKinzie Miller, Columbus
- 3rd Hannah Schroeder, Fremont
- 4th Hope Hemme, Fremont
- 5th Blake Reppert, Pender

Senior Division (14-18 years old)

- 1st Dane Miller, Columbus
- 2nd Brandon Hilger, Bennington
- 3rd Cody Burke, Columbus
- 4th Kane Warren, Blair
- 5th Ellen Hoffschneider, Arlington

Adult Division (19 years old & Over)

- 1st Rory Went, Monroe
- 2nd Jay Schroeder, Fremont
- 3rd Bill Reppert, Pender
- 4th Jennifer Hoffschneider, Arlington
- 5th Mark Rezac, Ceresco

Family Team (top 3 scores)

- 1st Schroeder Family
- 2nd Went Family
- 3rd Hemme Family
- 4th Rezac/Hanson Family
- 5th Reppert/Purucker Family
- 6th Franzluebbbers Family
- 7th Miller Family

THANKS TO THE LIVESTOCK OWNERS/PRODUCERS:

- Don Witte Family for bringing breeding sheep.
- Jay Schroeder & Tim Schroeder for bringing market steers & lambs.
- Wayne Francis for bringing market hogs.
- Masonic Home for Children / Ron Meyer for providing breeding heifers.
- Chuck Emanuel for delivering breeding heifers.

THANKS TO THE PRIZE DONORS:

Alberts Body & Paint, Byron Schafersman (Northwest Mutual), Dan & Heidi Timm, Dinkel Implement, Dodge County 4-H Council, Dan & Kris Dvorak Family, Gambino's of Scribner, Hunke Promotions, Ken & Mary Jo Kreikemeier Family, L&L Gifts, Lacey Bunn, Menards, Platte Valley Equipment, Sid & Ruth Ready Family, Mark & Jean Schafersman Family, Snyder Mini Mart, Steve & Joan Ruskamp Family and Victors.

THANKS TO ALL THE 4-H VOLUNTEERS

- Dodge County 4-H Council & Volunteers for organizing the event & arranging the livestock and seeking out prize donations.
- Jay Schroeder, Don Witte and Wayne Francis for serving as group leaders.
- Dodge County Extension staff, Mary Spath and Jennifer Swanson for tabulating the contest results.

2007 Dodge County 4-H Council

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4-H'ERS, CHECK IT OUT...

What the Dodge County 4-H Council is sponsoring the

TEEN DANCE

Thursday, August 2, 8-11 p.m.
Mohr Auditorium

Tell ALL your friends & come join in the fun!!