



WILSON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

January 2024

At A Glance

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- Jan. 10 Adult Booster meeting
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Wilson County Junior Livestock Show

REMINDER

All participants MUST attend and participate in at least one set-up or clean-up event! If you do not, the exhibitor will be charged a \$100 fee from their premium check or a \$100 fee will be assessed from the exhibitor. A member may attend any set-up or clean-up event (2 circled in red on schedule). Dates for set-up and clean-up are as follows:

Horse Show Set-up: January 19 @ 6 pm

Baked Food Show Set-up: January 19 @ 6 pm

Baked Food Show Public Viewing: January 20 @ 4-6 pm

Baked Food Show Clean-up: January 20, following results

All Species Set-up: January 21 @ 11:00 am

Auction Clean-up: January 28, following auction

All Species Clean-up: January 28 @ 10:00 am



New

IF your project makes the auction, you MUST help the add on table for at least a 30 minute shift before or after your auction slot.

Please check in at the add on table at the auction.

Wilson County Junior Livestock Show

2024 WCJLS SCHEDULE

Monday – January 8, 2024

5:00 pm Commercial Heifer Record Books Due to the Wilson County AgriLife Extension Office

Saturday – January 13, 2024

7:00–9:00 am Check-in Commercial Heifers – (Carr Ranch – 6720 HWY 97 West)

9:00 am Commercial Heifer Show (Carr Ranch)

Sunday – January 14, 2024

TBA Commercial Heifer arrive at Nixon Livestock Commission

Monday – January 15, 2024

10:00 am Commercial Heifer Sale - Nixon Livestock Commission–1924 HWY 87 East, Nixon, TX

Friday – January 19, 2024

6:00 pm Set-up & Horse check-in

Saturday – January 20, 2024

7:00 am Check-in Horse Show

9:00 am Horse Show (halter followed by showmanship, in hand trail, and stock horse pleasure)

TBA Baked Food Show

Sunday – January 21, 2024

11:00 am Set-up for all species – Showbarn

2:00-4:00 pm Check-in Arts & Photography

Monday – January 22, 2024

8:00-9:00 am Check-in all Rabbits

9:30 am Judging of Rabbits

2:00-3:00 pm Check-in all Poultry

3:30 pm Poultry judging beginning with Broilers immediately followed by Turkeys.

Arrival of Market and Breeding Swine 30 minutes after poultry show is over

Tuesday - January 23, 2024

7:30 am All Market and Breeding Swine must be in place

7:30-9:00 am Weigh and classify all Market Hogs

Wilson County Junior Livestock Show

Tuesday - January 23, 2024

- 9:00 am Check-in Breeding Gilts
- 12:30 pm Judging of Breeding Gilts, Market hogs will follow 30 minutes after completion of Breeding Gilt show and then Showmanship

Wednesday - January 24, 2024

- 7:30-8:30 am Check-in Breeding Sheep and Check-in, Weigh and Classify Market Lambs
- 8:30-9:30 am Check-in Breeding Goats and Check-in, Weigh and Classify Market Goats
- 10:00 am Judging of Breeding Lambs followed by judging of Market Lambs and Lamb Showmanship
- 1:00 pm Judging of Breeding Goats followed by Market Goats and Goat Showmanship**
- ***or 30 minutes after the completion of the lamb show****

Thursday - January 25, 2024

- 7:30 am All Market Steers must be in place
- 7:30-9:00 am Weigh and Classify Market Steers
- 11:00 am Ag Mechanics projects check-in
- 12:00 pm Judging of Ag Mechanics projects
- 3:30pm Judging of Market Steers followed by Steer Showmanship
- 5:00 pm Art & Photography Contest Awards

Friday – January 26, 2024

- 7:30-8:00 am Check-in of Breeding Heifers and Breeding Bulls
- 9:30 am Judging of Breeding Bulls
- 10:00 am Judging of Breeding Heifers followed by Heifer Showmanship

Saturday – January 27, 2024

- 12:30 pm Wilson County Junior Livestock Show & Baked Food Show Auction
- Floresville Event Center – 600 HWY 97 West

Sunday – January 28, 2024

- 10:00 am Clean up at the showbarn

All events except commercial heifer show & sale and Wilson County Junior Livestock Show auction sale will be held at the Wilson County Expo Center – 435 HWY 97 East, Floresville, TX 78114

County Updates

County Council Meeting

When: January 3, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

Wilson County Judge Whitman will be speaking!

La Vernia Rabbit Validation

When: January 28, 2024 @ 12-2 pm

Where: La Vernia Chamber of Commerce

All members showing rabbits at La Vernia must validated their rabbits for show. Rabbits must have breeder tattoo prior to validation. If tattoo is missing at validation, a breeder tattoo will be given and charged a fee of \$3 per rabbit.

WCJLS Commercial Heifer Recordbooks

Due: January 8, 2024

Where: Extension Office

All Commercial Heifer Exhibitors must turn in a record book.

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship

Due: January 30, 2024 to Extension Office

Any graduating senior wishing to apply for the Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship, submission deadline is February 15, 2024. Link [HERE](#)

Senior Cookie/Snacks

December: Wilson 4-H Shooting Club

Cookies may be donated directly to the Wilson County Expo Center between 11-2 p.m. or you can bring them by the Extension Office. Place two cookies per baggies.

Water is welcome if your club would rather donate water and/or snacks (Chex mix, crackers or pretzels, fruit snacks etc.) can be large bags or individual snack package.

Dog Care and Training Project

If you are interested in the dog care and training project this year, please contact Laurene Rice or the Extension Office.

Validation is due by January 10, 2024 in 4-HOnline

Adult Booster Meeting

When: January 10, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Extension Annex Classrooms

La Vernia Rabbit Showmanship

When: February 11, 2024 @ 1 pm

Where: La Vernia Chamber of Commerce
12301 US 87, La Vernia

The showmanship handling and test will take place then. Must bring one rabbit for handling test. Test will only be given once.

2023-2024 Eligibility Guidelines

We advise all Wilson County 4-H members to inquire with their school on 4-H events and activities eligibility requirements.

No Pass, No Play

As always, 4-H events will follow the No Pass No Play guidelines. Keep your grades up!

TEA-UIL Side by Side Rules

Texas 4-H follows the UIL Side by Side guidelines. You can review this document [here](#).

Open Shows

Open shows do not require 4-H membership, therefore, the Extension Office is not able to request eligibility and/or an excused absence for these events. A letter may be sent on behalf of the member demonstrating that these events support the 4-H members project work, however, the decision will remain up to the school (as with all requests).

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school first, as the school has final say on eligibility. Once you have contacted the school, please contact the Extension Office.

County Updates



**WILSON COUNTY COUNCIL 4-H
HOSTS**

**DANCE,
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DANCE...**



**JANUARY 26, 2024 FROM 7-10 PM
WILSON COUNTY EXPO CENTER
\$10 CASH AT THE DOOR
CONCESSION STAND**

District Updates

District 10 4-H Horse Judging at HLSR	
**All 4-H members must submit an HLSR Stock Show entry form/fees to their County Office to compete in the District 10 4-H Horse Judging contest that is being held conjunction with the Houston Stock Show.	
DISTRICT REGISTRATION OPENS: Jan. 15, 2024	
DISTRICT REGISTRATION DEADLINE Feb. 6, 2024	
DISTRICT LATE REGISTRATION: Feb. 7-9, 2024	
Mar. 4, 2024	• Horse Judging @ HLSR
District 10 4-H Virtual Photography Contest	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Thurs., Feb. 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tue. Feb. 20, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.-Fri. Feb 21-23, 2024	
Feb. 23, 2024	4HOnline Registration CLOSES
Mar. 29, 2024	Photography Results Released
Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship	
APPLICATIONS OPEN: November 1, 2023	
APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Feb. 15, 2024 @11:59PM	
Nov. 1, 2023	Scholarship Guidelines Released
Feb. 15, 2024	Scholarship Applications Close

SPRING & SUMMER DATES	
District 10 SPRING Roundup – Fredericksburg, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Friday, March 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., Mar. 19, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.-Fri, Mar. 20-22, 2024	
Spring Roundup CONTEST DATES	
April 9, 2024	• Leaders 4 Life (Location TBD)
April 10, 2024	• Meat Judging (San Angelo, TX)
April 15, 2024	• Livestock Judging
April 16, 2024	• Consumer Decision Making • Range/Pasture ID & Range Evaluation • Wool & Mohair Judging
April 17, 2024	• Share the Fun • Soil Judging
April 18, 2024	• Duds 2 Dazzle • Fashion Show & Natural Fibers
April 20, 2024	• Smallbore Rifle (Floresville, TX)
April 26, 2024	• 4-H Storyboard Results Released
District 10 Horse Show – Dripping Springs, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE Tues. May 14, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: W-F, May 15-17, 2024	
EVENT DATE: June 13, 2024	
District 10 Leadership Lab – Brownwood, TX	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Wednesday, May 1, 2024	
EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 28, 2024	
LATE FEE REGISTRATION: May 29-31, 2024	
EVENT DATE: June 26-28, 2024	
District 10 Record Book Judging – Fredericksburg	
REGISTRATION OPENS: Saturday, June 1, 2024	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Tues., June 25, 2024	
LATE REGISTRATION: Wed.-Fri. June 26-28, 2024	
EVENT DATE: July 11, 2024	

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Stephenville,
Abilene, and
San Angelo

CORE
academy
Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE
April 15th

One of the goals of the CORE Academy is to bring awareness to an assortment of possible careers. These careers do not focus on any one discipline. Career tours can be anything from hospitality, tourism, manufacturing, criminal justice, culinary arts, agriculture & natural resources, to marketing and promotions. The objective is to expose the youth to careers and businesses that they may have never considered.

JUNE
17th - 21st
2024

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

State Updates

NIXON



Steer & Heifer Prospect Show

Saturday, January 6, 2024

Nixon Livestock Show Barn
1001 East Central Ave, Nixon, TX

\$60 Entry Fee for 2 Rings
Cash or check at check in



Heifer Check-In
7:00 - 8:30 am
Steer Weigh-in
9:00 - 10:30 am

SCAN QR CODE FOR EARLY ENTRY

- Heifer Showmanship will begin at 9:00 am in Ring A
- Heifer Show will follow showmanship
- Ring B (Heifers) will begin after the conclusion of the first division in Ring A
- Steer showmanship will begin 30 min after the Heifer show concludes
- Steer Show will follow showmanship
- Concessions Available
- Blow and Go, Show off trailer
- \$5 no trailer parking fee

PRIZES
Given in Ring B


- Division Champions
- Overall Champions
- Showmanship

Judges: Andrew Kimec & Monte Williams
Jackpot Showmanship (3rd - 12th Grade) - \$5 at the gate
For more information contact Loyce Rice @ 830-534-6528 or therices@gvec.net



The Texas 4-H Center is hosting a weekend for teens in grades 9-12 **January 5-7, 2024!** Participants will have three sessions that include team building, leadership, and citizenship learning opportunities, in addition to the loads of fun over the weekend. Registration is **HERE**, and the cost is \$100 per youth.

Help Texas 4-H Fight Hunger



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 2024 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE			
JUNE	3-7	NORTH DAKOTA WATERFOWL BRIGADE 4-H CENTER	WASHBURN, ND
	9-13	SOUTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE CHAPARROSA RANCH	LA PRYOR, TX
	10-14	ROLLING PLAINS BOBWHITE BRIGADE THE 1687 FOUNDATION	RISING STAR, TX
	22-26	SOUTH TEXAS BOBWHITE BRIGADE BUCK HORN CREEK RANCH	MCCOY, TX
	22-26	SOUTH TEXAS RANCH BRIGADE DUVAL COUNTY RANCH	FREER, TX
JULY	9-13	BASS BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	15-19	RANCH BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	17-21	WATERFOWL BRIGADE PINTAIL HUNTING CLUB	GARWOOD, TX
	21-25	NORTH TEXAS BUCKSKIN BRIGADE WARREN RANCH	SANTA ANNA, TX
	23-27	COASTAL BRIGADE PRIVATE PROPERTY IN GALVESTON	GALVESTON, TX
APPLY NOVEMBER 1 - MARCH 15 • TEXASBRIGADES.ORG/APPLICATIONS			



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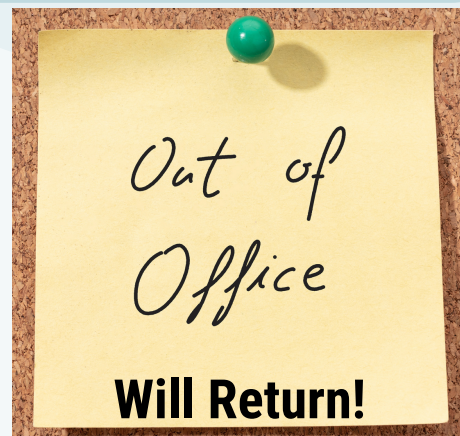
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