



Animal Science

4-H HORSE CLINICS

There will be a Horsemanship Clinic on Thursday, June 25 at 7:00pm in the Saddle Club Horse Arena, Fairgrounds, Lancaster.



There will also be a Trail Clinic on Thursday, July 16, 7:00pm at the Saddle Club Arena. Bring your horse or pony and receive tips on showing at the fairs this summer. Remember to bring your helmets and coggins paper if you have not already sent a copy to the Extension Office.

TWO POULTRY TESTING SEMINARS ADDED

Two additional, afternoon training seminars for certified poultry testing have been added to accommodate those unable to attend evening seminars that were held earlier this spring.

- **Stevens Point** -- Saturday, June 6, Country Inn and Suites, 301 Division St.
- **Madison** -- Saturday, June 20, State Agriculture Building, 2811 Agriculture Drive

Both seminars run 1-4 p.m. Participants must be present for the entire seminar.

Completing one of the seminars is necessary for certified testers to renew their certification or for anyone who wishes to be certified. Current two-year certifications expire June 30. There will be no further training available until 2011.

Certified testers can test their own or others' poultry so that flocks can qualify for the National Poultry Improvement Program, Wisconsin Tested Flock Program, or individual testing requirements. These testing programs allow owners to move birds for fairs, exhibits, and sales. Certified testers must be at least 18 years old, and adhere to NPIP and Wisconsin Tested Flock program standards. They do not need to be veterinarians or veterinary technicians.

Pre-registration is not required. There is a \$25 fee to become certified, which must be mailed to the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection after the seminars, along with a form that will be available at the seminars. For information, call Margie Proost, 608-224-4877.

AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAY WEST SALEM, LACROSSE COUNTY

June 30, 9:00 am-3:00 pm
West Salem Fairgrounds

Area Animal Science Day is open to all 4-H members. Following is a list of projects and activities.

LIVESTOCK—Judging Contest, Livestock Quiz Bowl, Meat Judging

DAIRY—Dairy Judging, Showmanship, Dairy Posters

HORSE—Horse judging, Hippology, Poster

POULTRY— Speaker

RABBIT—Rabbit Care and Showmanship

GOAT— Hands-on Training

Please contact the Extension Office by June 5 if you plan on participating in any of these fun activities. Transportation will be available. Registration fee is \$6 and lunch is \$5.

GRANT COUNTY DAIRY STATE FAIR SELECTION SHOW

The State Fair Selection Show will be held at the Grant County Fairgrounds on Sunday, June 21. All Grant County 4-H, FFA, Junior Holstein, and colored breed members are invited to this show. The cattle will show according to the following schedule:

9:00 a.m. - All cattle should be on the grounds

9:30 a.m. - Registration of entries begins

10:00 a.m. - Judging begins as follows:

Spring Heifer Calf, Winter Heifer Calf, Fall Heifer Calf

Summer, Spring, Winter & Fall Yearlings

Jr. 2 yr. Old - Sr. 2 yr. Old

Jr. 3 yr. Old - Sr. 3 yr. Old

4 yr. Old - 5 yr. & over

Dry Cow

Cattle **MUST** be on the grounds by 9:00 am, Sunday. Judging will start promptly at 10:00 am. Animals which can be shown include: Grade or Registered Females of any age. Applications will be available the day of the show at check-in time.

Youth wishing to go to the Wisconsin State Fair as a dairy exhibitor are expected to attend the selection show to exhibit their cattle and are encouraged to show at the Grant County Fair. Youth who feel they have a legitimate reason for missing the selection show must contact in writing the Extension Office by June 12.

We will be using the State Fair identification forms to help us with State Fair selection.

Be sure to download the Wisconsin State Fair Dairy entry forms from their website at www.wistatefair.com and fill them out before you leave on the 21st. State Fair entry forms need to be returned to the Extension Office by Wednesday, June 24.

DAIRY JUDGING WORKOUTS

The following dairy judging workouts have been set up for 4-H members interested in participating on the Grant County 4-H Dairy Judging team at Area Animal Science Day in West Salem on June 30. If you have any questions call Chris Moore at 822-6000.

Wednesday, June 3, 7:30pm
Duane & Laurie Schuler Farm

Wednesday, June 10, 7:30pm
Peterson Farm (Alan Errthum)

Wednesday, June 17, 7:30pm
Dave & Ann Vosberg Farm

Wednesday, June 24, 7:30pm
Brenda & Becky Martin Farm

GRANT COUNTY FAIR DAIRY CHEESE GUIDELINES

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FOR DAIRY CHEESE - in addition to all sale criteria the following will be used pertaining to youth selling blocks of cheese during the Livestock Auction.

Animals may only be represented once in a lifetime by the sale of cheese during a Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction.

A maximum of 12 youth will be allowed to sell a block of cheese at the Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction. The process outlined below will be followed until 12 lots are selected:

Grand Champion of each breed listed in the Premium List that is shown at the Junior Dairy Show at the Grant County Fair. In the event that the Grand Champion does not meet all criteria, the Reserve Grand Champion will be given the opportunity to sell. In the event that the Grand or Reserve Grand does not meet all criteria, the Junior Champion will be given the opportunity to sell. In the event that the Grand, Reserve Grand or Junior Champion does not meet all criteria, the Reserve Junior Champion will be given the opportunity to sell.

Junior Champions of any breed which exhibits over 25 animals during the Junior Dairy Show at the Grant County Fair. In the event that the Junior Champion does not meet all criteria or has already been selected, the Reserve Junior Champion will be given the opportunity to sell.

The winner of the Junior Fair Dairy Senior and Intermediate Showmanship classes. In the event that the winner does not meet criteria, or has already qualified previously, the second place youth (and lower if need be) will be allowed to sell cheese.

d. A selection of eligible youth and animals will then be used to create a maximum of 12 youth selling lots of cheese. The selection will be made as follows: (1) Starting with age of youth in the senior showmanship class. Those youth not having sold cheese will be selected first. (2) Must have shown in the showmanship class. (3) Must have shown dairy in the last 3 consecutive years. (4) If 12 lots have not been selected, the oldest youth who have met the above qualifications will be selected by a drawing.

The Dairy Cheese Sale Committee is responsible for purchasing 10# boxes of assorted cheese for the dairy youth selling in the current year. The Dairy Cheese Sale Committee will make sure all lots are available the day of the sale.

LIVESTOCK AUCTION SEMINARS

This is a listing of Livestock Auction Seminars that have been set so far. We may be adding more later. It is important that you check this page each month for updated seminars. We also encourage you to attend a seminar related to your project and **NOT TO WAIT** until the last seminar. Those youth planning to sell in this year's Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction must attend at least one of these seminars as a condition of sale. Seminars are open to the public so anyone (youth and adults) can attend as they choose. **Call the Extension Office at 723-2125 to pre-register at least 2 days in advance. Seminars that do not have enough pre-registered participants will be cancelled.**

- ❑ **Sunday—Tuesday June 14-16**, Badger Dairy Camp, West Allis
- ❑ **Tuesday, June 16**, Badger Livestock Judging Camp, West Allis
- ❑ **Tuesday, June 30**, Area Animal Science Day, LaCrosse Cty, West Salem
- ❑ **Saturday, July 11**, 10:00 am—3:00 pm, Dairy and Meat Goat Meeting and Mock Show, Fairgrounds, Lancaster
- ❑ **Tuesday, July 14**, Rabbits 7:00 & Poultry 6:30 pm, Rabbit & Poultry Showmanship Clinic, Y & A
- ❑ **Wednesday, July 29**, 7:00 pm, MAQA Meeting

OTHER SEMINAR OPTIONS: *If you attend a beef, sheep, swine, dairy, goat, rabbit or poultry meeting or event, call the Extension Office to request approval as an educational seminar.*

MAQA CERTIFIED

All swine exhibitors at the Grant County Fair and Wisconsin State Fair must be MAQA certified each year in order to show and sell.

STATE FAIR DEADLINES & MANDATORY MEETING

The Mandatory State Fair Orientation Meeting is Thursday, June 25, 7:30 pm, Youth & Ag. Remember this is a Mandatory Meeting!

Our County entry deadline for livestock entries is June 10. Dairy and general exhibit entries will be June 24.

DAIRY AND MEAT GOAT CLINIC— Saturday, July 11, 10am—2:30pm

Get your Dairy and Meat goats ready to show! We will be showing kids how to clip, picking out show animals, handling animals in the ring and feeding to getting ready for the shows. Also showmen will be working together to make a good show. All showmen are welcome to bring one animal to work on. Please bring any extra clippers and hoof nippers you may have, a few extras will be provided. Also, wear chore clothing and no flip-flops! Event will run from 10 am until 2:30 pm, light meal will be provided. Any questions please call Wade Wachter at (608)533-3640 or Deb Skaife at (608)658-5486.

SCRAPIE TAG REQUIRED FOR SHEEP & GOATS

Breeding sheep and goat and sexually-intact sheep and goats going to exhibitions or that have resided with sheep and dairy goats, must be identified with an official scrapie ear tag for the official scrapie identification. Sheep and Goats exposed to scrapie will not be allowed for exhibition. Contact your local vet for more information.

GRANT COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING WORKOUTS

The following livestock judging workouts have been scheduled for 4-H members interested in participating on the Grant County 4-H Livestock Judging Team at Area Animal Science Day, June 30 at West Salem. Additional workouts will be scheduled after the May 31 workout. If you have any questions call Dennis Patterson at 994-2396.

Sunday, May 31, 7:00pm
UW-Platteville Swine Unit

Sunday, June 7, 7:00pm
Dennis Patterson Farm