

# 4-H Connections

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## Club Day Registration **DUE FEBRUARY 10TH**

Event Date: February 22, 2023

County Club Day will be held on February 22. Please note the corrected registration deadline of no later than February 10<sup>th</sup> to participate.

Registration is available online at

[https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_8cOMPq4hEoa0NT0](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8cOMPq4hEoa0NT0)

Club Day offers the following three divisions.

(4-H Age, age on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023)

- Senior - 14 and older
- Junior – 13 and under
- Cloverbuds – 5 & 6 years' old



Please visit the registration site for clarification on each event for further details and time requirements. If you are willing to be a room monitor, please select that on your registration as well.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!** **Important dates released:**

**Citizenship in Action:** February 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

**Livestock Weigh ins:**

Beef – March 29<sup>th</sup> from 5-6pm

Small Animal – April 24<sup>th</sup> from 5-6:30pm

(More info on page 2)

**Discovery Days:** June 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>

**WildHorse Camp:** June 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

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# NEWS & EVENTS



## Blue & Gold

It's time for our Blue & Gold fundraiser! Orders will be due to the office on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Delivery will be on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Please remember that money must accompany the order forms. **Checks should be made out to Meade County 4-H Council.**

### Product Information

B & G Sausage: the definition of down-home flavor and goodness. Available in 2.5-pound packages.

B & G Premium Bacon: thick-sliced and naturally hickory smoked to perfection. Available in 3-pound packages.

B & G Chicken Breast Tender Fritters: all-white meat chicken fritters in a home-style breading with an excellent blend of seasonings. Available in 5-pound bags containing approximately 25-30 pieces.

Order forms are available at the office or email [lesliedenise@ksu.edu](mailto:lesliedenise@ksu.edu)

## Livestock Weigh-ins

*Beef – Wed, March 29, 5-6 pm*

*Small Animal – Mon, April 24, 5-6:30 pm*

Just a quick reminder: if you want to show a livestock animal at the county fair, you will need to weigh them in at the respective weigh-in. Animals not weighed in by the date will not be able to show. If you have conflicts, you can make arrangements to have your animal tagged prior to weigh in. Please contact Hannah and she will help coordinate a time with you. The plan is to use the state eID tags for all animals this year!

## YQCA Training

This year, youth can take YQCA training online for \$12 or in person for \$3. We highly recommend attending the training in person if possible, as this will be more engaging and hands on. Dates for the in-person trainings will be released soon.

## Scholarships

Kansas 4-H Scholarship Applications for 2023 are now open. Start looking at scholarships now! <https://www.kansas4-h.org/resources/awards-and-recognition/scholarships.html>

## Junior Producer Days

[K-State Junior Swine Producer Day](#)

**2023 K-State Junior Swine Producer Day**  
Saturday MARCH 11  
Register By February 15

Take an all-day event on March 11, 2023 for the annual K-State Junior Swine Producer Day in Manhattan, Kansas. This educational event will be a full-day event in which youth, parents, agents, and other project leaders can increase their knowledge of youth swine projects. Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty members, guest speakers, and other swine producers. All topics and activities are provided free of charge to all youth. There will also be a "Big Game" to help you learn more about swine. Early birds who register by February 15 will receive a \$100 gift certificate. There will also be a "Big Game" to help you learn more about swine. Early birds who register by February 15 will receive a \$100 gift certificate. There will also be a "Big Game" to help you learn more about swine. Early birds who register by February 15 will receive a \$100 gift certificate.

**Register Online**  
<http://commerce.cashnet.com/KSUSWIND>

**Tentative Schedule:**  
8:00 Registration  
9:00 Welcome  
9:30 Project Selection  
10:00 Breakfast Session  
10:30 Meet Science  
11:00 Swine Breeds & Ear Notching  
11:30 Equipment & Daily Care  
12:00 Reproduction  
1:00 Lunch  
1:30 Swine Health  
2:00 Breakout Sessions  
2:30 Nutrition  
3:00 Clipping, Hair Care, Show Day Prep  
3:30 Showmanship  
4:00 Wrap-up  
4:30 YQCA Certification & State Nominations (optional)

**Registration**  
\$20/person by February 15  
\$25/person after February 15  
\*Late registrants will not receive a t-shirt  
\*\*To register by mail, contact Leah for a registration form  
\*\*All attendees, including youth and adults, must register.

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**Sponsors**  
Kansas Pork Association  
Essential Show Feeds  
Valley Vet  
KSU AG

**2023 K-STATE Junior MEAT GOAT PRODUCER DAY**

Join us on March 18 for the biennial K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day in Weber Arena on the Kansas State University campus in Manhattan. This educational program will be a fun-filled day in which youth, parents, agents, and project leaders can increase their knowledge of youth meat goat projects. Presentations will be provided by K-State faculty members, graduate students, former exhibitors, and guest speakers. All ages and skill levels are invited! Participants will receive a K-State Meat Goat Show Guide, t-shirt, and complimentary lunch. Only those who register by the deadline on February 22 will receive a t-shirt. The registration fee is \$20/person before February 22 and \$25/person after the deadline. This is a family event! Anyone attending must register, including all youth and adults.

**Saturday MARCH 18**

**Registration**  
 \$20/person by February 22  
 \$25/person after February 22  
 \*Must register by February 22 to get a t-shirt.  
 \*\*To register by mail, contact Lexie Hayes for a form.  
 \*\*\*All attendees, including youth and adults, must register.

**Tentative Schedule**  
 8:00 Check-in Opens  
 9:00 Welcome  
 9:15 Project Selection  
 10:00 Morning Breakout Sessions  
 Meat Science  
 Nutrition  
 Facilities & Equipment  
 Noon Lunch  
 12:45 Health & Wellness  
 1:30 Afternoon Breakout Sessions  
 Showmanship  
 Reproduction  
 Clipping & Grooming  
 3:00 Wrap-up  
 3:30 Optional Post-Event Sessions:  
 YQCA Certification & State Nominations

**Questions**  
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**Register Online**  
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**Register By FEB 22**

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**K-State Junior Meat Goat Producer Day**



**PECANS FOR SALE!!**

Plains Livewires are still selling pecans! We have some available at the Extension office. Don't let the holiday baking come to an end!!

**SHEEP ACROSS KANSAS SERIES**  
*'Ask Before You Buy'*

**FEB 5TH 2:00 PM**

**WHAT SHOULD YOU KNOW BEFORE PURCHASING YOUR NEXT SHOW LAMB PROJECT?**  
 Join us to be mentored with sheep producers for their wisdom tips on selecting the best lamb for your farm!

As an educational program, we do not accept payment for this webinar. The only way to attend is by registering for free. For more information, please contact the Extension office at 785.532.1264 or visit us at [ksu.edu](http://ksu.edu).

**K-STATE** **Extension**

The first session of the series, 'Ask Before You Buy', will be held virtually on Sunday, February 5th beginning at 2:00 p.m. This session will feature a sheep industry expert who will guide us in learning the parts of a lamb, while discussing desirable and undesirable physical traits. Additionally, participants can expect to hear from show lamb producers on their tips and tricks as they make plans to purchase your next project. And as always, participants will be given many opportunities to ask questions of our speakers.

Sign up for the webinar at: [https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6G4hH HGcHk7Z9SS](https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6G4hH HGcHk7Z9SS)

Registration deadline is by the end of the day on Thursday, February 2nd. A Zoom link will be sent by email prior to the event for those who register.



**Once Upon a Scone:**  
 Come join Christine at her last program!

Christine will be leading a class on making scones on Wednesday, March 1st at Meade County Extension Office. This will be a come and go event held between 12:30pm and 3:00pm.

# February 2023

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<b>Ambassador Meeting</b>					<b>County Club Day Registrations Due</b>	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	<b>Four Leaf Clover Meeting Town &amp; Country Meeting</b>	<b>Plains Livewires Meeting</b>				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>CIA</b> 			<b>County Club Day</b>			
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
<b>3 C's Meeting</b>						<b>Regional Club Day in Dodge City</b>

**Monthly Club Meetings**

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
• 3 C's -	February 26	1:30pm	Fowler Grade School
• 4 Leaf Clover -	February 13	6:30pm	4-H Building
• Plains Livewires -	February 14	6:30pm	Plains Methodist Church
• Town & Country-	February 13	6:30pm	Building B

# Year in a Glance:

## Important dates for the first half of 2023!

### January

- 5 – Ambassador Meeting
- 18 – Senior Record Books due for Regional judging
- 28 – Horse Panorama

### February

- 1 – Ambassador Training Registration Due
- 10 – County Club Day Registrations Due
- 19-20 – Citizenship in Action
- 22 – County Club Day

### March

- 4 – Regional Club Day
- 17 – Blue and Gold Orders due to office
- 11 – Junior Swine Producer Day at KSU
- 18 – Junior Meat Goat Producer Day at KSU
- 29 – Beef Weigh in
- 30 – Blue and Gold Delivery

### April

- 24 – Small Animal Weigh in

### May

- 1 – Deadline to edit projects in 4-H Online

### June

- 7-9 – Discovery Days
- 12 – WildHorse Camp Counselor Training
- 13-15 – WildHorse Camp