

## Clark County 4-H Weekly Update March 4, 2024

### Clark County 4-H Families and Volunteers:

Weather events caused us to cancel the 4-H Kick-Off for the first time ever. We know that there were 4-H families who had significant property damage from last week's tornado. I have heard that the 4-H community has come to the aid of their neighbors and friends to help with cleanup, provide meals and more. Thank you for giving your "Hands to larger service".

**We have now rescheduled the 4-H Kick-Off for April 4th!** Please plan on joining us for a fun-filled night of 4-H activity. The event will be from 5:30 PM to 8 PM in the Annex, Arts & Crafts Bldg. and Mercantile Bldg. on the Clark County Fairgrounds.

### This week is Ohio 4-H Week! We challenge you to:

- Encourage a friend to join 4-H.
- Invite a friend to come to your next 4-H club meeting to check out all the 4-H opportunities.
- Make posts on your personal Social Media platforms to share your 4-H travels and experiences.
- Fill social media with all the great things you are doing in 4-H and what it means to you.
- Encourage your friends to Start Their Own 4-H Journey!

### Youth Quality Assurance Required by June 1, 2024 – Chance to Win Prizes TOO!

Youth with market animals **MUST** complete the annual Youth Quality Assurance no later than June 1, 2024, to show at the Clark County and/or Ohio State Fair.

**Members Who Must Attend:** Market Beef, Market Dairy Steers, Market Goats, Market Hogs, Market Lambs, Meat Chickens, Meat Ducks, Meat Turkeys, Market Rabbits, Lactating Dairy Cows and Lactating Dairy Goats

### Attend One of the County QA Sessions or a club one:

- March 9, 9:45 AM-10:45 AM, Cattle Arena
- March 23, 11 AM-Noon, Youth Bldg.
- April 23, 6:30 PM-7:30 PM, Annex
- May 1, 6 PM-7 PM, Youth Bldg.
- May 29, 6:30 PM-7:30 PM, Annex



**Complete the QA Evaluation to Win Prizes:** Prizes will include project books and fair passes sponsored by the Clark County 4-H Committee. Go to <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcoqualityassuranceevaluation> to complete or scan the QR Code.

**Drawings Take Place On:** March 15, April 15, May 15, and June 5. Winners will be announced in the Weekly Updates and notified by their contact information.

### All About Goats Spring Webinar Series

March 11, March 25, April 8, April 22, May 6, May 13, 7 PM to 8 PM

Register at [go.osu.edu/allaboutgoats](https://go.osu.edu/allaboutgoats)

Topics include Getting Started with Goats, Live Animal Evaluation, Goat Management, Feeding the Herd, General Reproduction, Udder Health and Milk Quality.

**Spring Beef Classic – Sat. March 9, Cattle Arena**

**8 AM to 9 AM** – Check-In and Weigh-In Cattle – Cattle Stalled in Barns 2 & 6

**9:45 AM – 10:45 AM** – Quality Assurance in the Cattle Arena

**11 AM** – Showmanship     **1 PM** – Show

All Clark County Beef members are encouraged to participate in the Spring Classic Beef Show. Scramble exhibitors must bring their scramble steers to Spring Classic.

**Start Sewing at 4-H Clothing Clinics**

Join 4-H clothing volunteers and Food & Fashion Board members for hands-on sewing fun. Learn the skills necessary for clothing project success – understanding your color palette, pattern and fabric selection, sewing techniques, and so much more. The first clinic is soon! There will be additional ones in April and June. Register go to <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hclothingclinics>

• **March 10, 3 PM to 5 PM at the Extension Office Reg. by March 8**

**Spring Shooting Sports Instructor and Jr. Leaders Training**

**When:** April 5 – Check-in from 6 PM to 8 PM with program starting at 8:15 PM

April 7– Dismissal at 11 AM

**Where:** Canter's Cave Camp, Jackson, Ohio

**Registration Deadline:** March 14 go to

[https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6rILXLW1RJNtljw](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6rILXLW1RJNtljw)

**Cost:** \$110/participant

**Who:** Adult 4-H volunteers and Shooting Sports Members (age 14 and older as of Jan. 1, 2024)

**Disciplines Offered:**

**Basic Disciplines:** Basic Archery, Coordinator, Pistol, Living History, Rifle, Shotgun, Living History, Hunting & Wildlife. *These do not require previous trainings.*

**Advanced Disciplines** - Muzzleloader, Archery Advanced, Rifle Marksmanship, Shotgun Advanced, Crossbow, Pistol Advanced, Steel Rifle/Pistol SASP, & Western Heritage

**Jr. Leaders:** Need to submit support letters in addition to registering

**4-H Enrollment Deadline April 15 – Don't Wait Enroll Now!**

Every 4-H member, Cloverbud, and volunteer must enroll or re-enroll in 4-H using 4-H on-line at <https://oh.4honline.com/>. You may access the direct link to enroll on the Clark County 4-H App under Clubs and Enrollment and complete enrollment off your phone.

**Need Assistance to Enroll or Change Something In your Enrollment:**

**Call:** Linda: 937-398-7604, Jaycie: 937-398-7596, Patty: 937-398-7599

**E-Mail:** [newman.221@osu.edu](mailto:newman.221@osu.edu), [patterson.1312@osu.edu](mailto:patterson.1312@osu.edu), [house.18@osu.edu](mailto:house.18@osu.edu)

**Clark County Fair Book Cover Contest**

**What:** Hand Draw or Computer Generate a Design for the 2024 Clark County Fair Book cover

**Who:** Any 4-H member may make entry

**Requirements:**

- Design must be 8 ½ x 11 portrait design.
- Design brings to life the 2024 Fair Theme – **Clark Co. Fair ...Your Passport to Fun!**
- Include 2024 Clark County Fair...Your Passport for Fun! and your name in the design.

**Deadline:** Submit entry by **March 15** to [laura@clarkcoag.com](mailto:laura@clarkcoag.com) or drop off to the Fair Office.

**Selection:** The Clark County Fair Board will select the winner at their March Board meeting.

**Winner:** Receives 2 Fair Passes (one 4-H member pass and one adult pass)

CFAES provides research and related educational programs to clientele on a non-discriminatory basis. For more information: <http://go.osu.edu/cfaesdiversity>. OSU Extension, Clark County and 4-H Youth Development educational programs provided with major support by the Clark County Commissioners: Melanie Flax Wilt, Lowell McGlothlin, Sasha Rittenhouse



### 2024 Clark County 4-H Fundraisers – Two ways to earn your 2024 4-H activity fee.

- Must sell \$100 to earn activity fee & one \$8 project book or campership coupon
- For every additional \$35 in product sold earn one \$8 project book or campership coupon
- High Sellers Earn Cash Awards
- Clubs Earn 10%

### Sell Otis Spunkmeyer Frozen Cookie Dough and Other Products

- Take orders now until April 12
- Pick Up Orders on May 21
- Product would be available for pick-up on May 21
- Order Forms Available from your club advisor or the Extension Office
- Have People Purchase on-line at <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hclubschoicefundraisingclar48>
- Clark Co. 4-H School Code is CLAR48

### Sell Anthony Thomas Candy Bars

- Club Candy Orders Due March 29 <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkco4hcandybardorderform>
- Pick Up Candy Bars on April 12
- Turn in Candy Money May 21 or May 22

### 4-H Activity Fees – Don't Wait Pay Now!

**All 4-H members and cloverbuds must pay their annual 4-H activity fee no later than May 22.**

### 2024 Activity Fees:

- \$25 per member and \$5 per cloverbud if paid by 7 PM, May 22
- \$30 per member and \$10 per cloverbud if paid after May 22

### Fees may be paid in the following ways:

- Mail check to Clark Co. 4-H Committee, P.O. Box 444, Springfield, OH 45501 – Please put your child's name and club name on the check or enclosed in the envelope.
- Pay by cash or check on May 21 or May 22, 11 AM to 7 PM, Extension Office
- Earn your activity fee by participating in the County Fundraisers

### Purchasing 4-H Market Project Animals

Many of you are or soon will be purchasing market animals. There are breeder lists on the 4-H App under Projects tab. In addition, you may receive sale flyers from local breeders. We do not endorse anyone listed, these are provided as a courtesy to help provide you connections to potential local breeders and Jr. Fair Exhibitors who have purchased project animals from in the past.

### Here are some important points to keep in mind when purchasing All Market Animals:

- Purchase healthy animals from reputable breeders.
- Know what vaccinations and parasite control has been completed by the breeder.
- Ask the breeder what feed the animal has been on to be able to transition the animal to your feed.
- Quarantine animals bought if you have other animals at home.
- Observe purchased animals closely for signs of illness – take their temperature, monitor eating and drinking, observe changes in feces, etc.
- Monitor animal growth to know the animal is on target to meet weight requirements.
- Establish a valid VCPR (vet, client, patient relationship) for preventative care and treatment.
- Properly handle your animals and provide proper animal care to assure you have a healthy animal to bring to Fair. All animals must be free of contagious disease – this includes ring worm, sore mouth, club lamb fungus, warts, lice, etc.



### Market Goats and Lambs

- **ALL market goats and market lambs must have a scrapie tag or tattoo.** Scrapie tags must come from the breeder of the lamb or goat and are needed for on-line exhibitor registration due by May 1. Market lambs or market goats without scrapie tags will not be tagged in on May 11 and will not be eligible for show at the Clark County Fair.

- **Market goats must be properly castrated and healed or banded and disbudded and healed by May 1.** If not, they will not be tagged in on May 11.

**Jr. Fair Market Goat Exhibitor Registration due by May 1**

<https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairmktgoatexhreg>

- **Market wether lambs must be properly castrated.**

**Jr. Fair Market Lamb Exhibitor Registration due by May 1**

<https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairmarketlambexhreg>

### Market Hogs

- **Must be ear notched.** Know your pig's ear notches. Record in your project book animal inventory section to have to complete your on-line Fair entries <http://clarkohjrfair.fairentry.com> due by May 15. Required to submit 2 photos with your market hog entries. **One must be a side profile and the other one must be a head shot with ear notches of both ears clearly shown.**

- Purebred market hogs must have registration papers in the exhibitor's name by fair weigh-in. Make sure you work with the breeder to have registration papers processed at purchase time. Don't wait!

**Commercial Market Hogs** apply by March 15 at

<https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfaircommercialmarkethogapp>

### Dairy Feeders

- Must be purebred, single breed, Holstein or Brown Swiss, male calves.

- **Must be properly castrated and dehorned before the May 11 tag-in and weigh-in.** If not, they will not be tagged or weighed-in – NO EXCEPTIONS! You will have until June 1 to have your calf properly dehorned and/or castrated, receive first vaccinations, if completed by June 1, calf will be tagged, but will not be eligible for Rate of Gain.

**Jr. Fair Dairy Feeder Exhibitor Registration** due by May 1

<https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairdairyfeederexhreg>

### Market Rabbits

- **Roasters** must be purebred, single breed, commercial rabbits, born after Jan. 21 & at least 8 weeks old on April 13, Rabbit I.D. Day. **Roasters MAY BE PURCHASED** or be offspring from your rabbits.

- **Single Fryers and Meat Pens MAY NOT BE PURCHASED.** Must be the offspring from a mating of the same single breed buck and doe owned by the member brought to Rabbit I. D. Day on April 13.

**Jr. Fair Rabbit Exhibitor Registration** <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairrabbitexhreg>

You must register the doe(s) and buck(s), you are breeding to produce your meat rabbits by April 11.

### Market Ducks and Chickens

- **Must be purchased and shown** from the Clark Co. 4-H & FFA R & P, bulk order. by April 14.

- **Must purchase required minimum.** Market Turkeys – min. of 6, Market Ducks – min. of 3, Market Chickens – min. of 6 per family with at least 3 per member in family. No 4-H Club or Chapter Orders.

**Jr. Fair Market Duck Order** <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairmarketduckorderform>

**Jr. Fair Market Chicken Order** <https://go.osu.edu/2024clarkcojrfairmarketchickenorderform>

### In the 4-H Spirit,

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