

4-H Clover Chronicle



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Horse Members Selected for State Fair

Nine Belmont County 4-H'ers were selected to compete at the Ohio State Fair with their horse projects this year. "This is the most youth ever selected from Belmont County to compete at the Ohio State Fair Horse Show." Youth selected include pictured above: front – **Scott Kuckuck** and **Madison DeAtley**; middle - **Kelsey Garrett**, **James Dobbs**, and **Vanessa Vannelle**; and back - **Hannah Anderson**, **Madison McFarland**, **Sarah Kinsey**, and **Olivia Merritt**.

Outstanding of the Day at Ohio State Fair

- Emilie Butler, Udder Kids** – Cake Decorating
- Andrea Clarke, High Meadows** – Controlling the Image
- Grace May, High Meadows** – Basic Archery
- Cody Slater, Bonnie Beefers** – Science Fun with Electricity
- Cade Vingino, Country Buddies** – Science Fun with Dairy Foods





Cloverbud News

Cloverbud Camp

Cloverbud Camp was a huge hit! Thanks to all the parents, adult volunteers and camp counselors that helped to make the day a huge success! Above is a group picture, to the right participants are heading off on their first adventure, and below right they are making leis for their nametags.

Cloverbud Exhibits at Fair

Again this year, all Cloverbud exhibits will be displayed in a county-wide Cloverbud booth. All Cloverbuds are to bring one craft or item they made with their club to display in the county booth. **Cloverbud booth set-up will be Sunday, September 6th at 2:00 p.m. but exhibits may be brought between Sunday at 1:00 p.m. and Tuesday by 12:00 noon.** It is asked that the item be placed in the booth and have it labeled with the exhibitor's name and club name.

4-H Club Wagon Parade

This year's 4-H club wagon parade will take place Tuesday, September 8th **before** the royal court ceremony. The parade will begin promptly at 2:30 p.m. from the Junior Fair Building where line up will be at 2:15. The parade will feature 4-H clubs that have decorated a child's size wagon. Members will pull the wagon and walk along with the parade. Wagons will then be on display in the Jr. Fair Building throughout fair week. Clubs can choose their own theme. All clubs that participate will receive a participation premium. Call the Extension office to register your club.



4-H News and Opportunities

Fair Information for Clubs

Fair Booth Set Up

There is no required theme this year for booths. Club exhibits must be in place by **12:00 noon on Tuesday, September 8th**. The Junior Fair Building will be open Sunday, September 6, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 7, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, September 8, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon for club members to work on their booth.

Exhibits must remain complete until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 13. If anything is removed early from the exhibit, the club forfeits its booth premium and the individual forfeits his / her project premium and the opportunity to exhibit at next year's fair. All booths must be removed by **6:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 13.**

Recycling Pick Up at Fair

Each 4-H club is asked to sign up for one collection shift during the fair. Volunteers will remove plastic collection bags from the provided recycling containers and place them in a recycle bin. Approximately 40 collection sites will be located on the fairgrounds to hold plastic bottles, cans and paper. Volunteers will travel in groups of 2 or more. **Please call Mary Mowrer, 695-3668 to schedule a time for your club to help with this worthwhile project that will help keep our fairgrounds cleaner.** This is a great community service effort in which your club can participate.

Reminder: Club Flower Arrangements for the Fair

4-H Council decided to decorate the fairgrounds with flower arrangements again this year! Refer to the June/July 2015 Newsletter for more details. For more information, contact: Kimberly Ogilbee at 740-310-7948 or Mary Mowrer at 740-695-3668.

Junior Fair Building Volunteers

Volunteers are needed the week of fair to help cover the junior fair building. Volunteers will be responsible for supervising the junior fair building where the community club booths and displays will be located. Any adults or 4-H members between the ages of 14-19 years old that would like to volunteer to work in the junior fair building, please contact the Extension office to sign up for a time.

Club Fair Packets

Advisors can pick up their club's packets at the Extension Office starting **August 28th**. Please plan to pick your packet up before fair as there may be information you need to know prior to the fair.

4-H Club Service Project for Fairgrounds

Clubs interested in doing a service project at the fairgrounds should get in touch with Jim Chase, groundskeeper at 740-310-1877 to make arrangements. The picnic tables are in need of tightening up bolts and pounding in nails. This would be a great help to the fair board.

Junior Fair Board Applications

Teens, 13 to 19 years of age as of January 1, 2016, who are interested in serving on the 2016 Junior Fair Board should complete a Junior Fair Board Application and return it to the Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on **October 1, 2015**. Applications are available and can be picked up at the Extension office or at the Junior Fair Office during fair. Junior Fair Board director terms will run from November 2015 to October 2016.

Trophy Winners

All trophy winners are required to write a "thank you" note to their trophy sponsor. Thank you notes are provided at the Junior Fair office, located behind the Livestock Show Arena. Animal trophies are awarded at the livestock shows, but are returned to the Junior Fair display in the Livestock Show Arena. These trophies are released on Saturday at 9:00 a.m., provided the thank you note has been completed. Thank you notes for still project trophies can be written during booth set up. Still project trophies with thank you notes completed before booth set-up is complete on Tuesday must take their trophy and display it in their club booth. Still project trophy thank you notes completed after booth set-up on Tuesday, will require the still project trophy to remain in the trophy display until release time of 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. No trophies will be released without a "thank you" note being completed.

Junior Fair Rule Changes

A complete list of Junior Fair Rule Changes for 2015 has been included for your convenience. Please take a few minutes to review these rule changes.

Belmont County Fair Field Days

Belmont County Fair Field Days will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at the County Fair from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Elementary school students from the surrounding school districts will be attending the Belmont County Fair for a self-guided tour. Any 4-H youth or adults wishing to volunteer and help with Fair Field Days are welcome. Volunteer duties may include presenting and answering questions in the livestock barns, passing out water, hanging up or tearing down signs, or greeting teachers and students upon arrival. Please contact Crystal Antill at the Extension office if interested in volunteering.

Schedule for Barn Meetings

Junior Fair Board has scheduled a barn meeting for each livestock barn on **Tuesday, September 8**. Exhibitors and parents, please do your best to attend the barn meeting(s) in which you have livestock.

Beef Barn - 12:30 p.m.
(in the Livestock Show Arena)

Dairy Barn - 7:30 p.m.
(in the Dairy Barn)

Goat Barn - 2:30 p.m.
(in the Livestock Show Arena)

Horse Barn - 7:00 p.m.
(in the Horse Barn)

Poultry Barn - 7:00 p.m.
(in the Small Animal Show Arena)

Rabbit Barn - 7:00 p.m.
(in the Small Animal Show Arena)

Sheep Barn - 2:00 p.m.
(in the Livestock Show Arena)

Swine Barn - 1:00 p.m.
(in the Swine Show Arena)

Attention Horse Exhibitors

Remember, all youth participating in this year's Belmont County Fair Horse Show are required to have their horses and tack checked at a mandatory horse barn meeting on **Tuesday, September 8** at **7:00 p.m.** at the fair.

Rabbit and Poultry Show Times

The Rabbit and Poultry Show Times are listed incorrectly in the Belmont County Fair Tab. The correct time of the shows for Wednesday, September 9, are as follows:

9:00 a.m. – Jr. Fair Poultry Show
2:00 p.m. – Jr. Fair Rabbit Show

Livestock Information

DUNF Forms for 2015! (see attached example)

A Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) must be completed for every Junior Fair Market Animal and Lactating Dairy Cow and Lactating Dairy Goat by the exhibitor and their parent or legal guardian prior to showing at a county fair, independent fair, or the Ohio State Junior Fair. One DUNF must be completed for each market or lactating entry. DUNF forms are available at the Extension office and will be available at the Junior Fair Office during fair. Organizational Volunteers may also pick up forms for their club when they pick up their club's pre-fair packet. **DUNF's are due when your animal goes across the scale at weigh-in at the fair on Tuesday, September 8, 2015. Please plan ahead as parent/guardian signatures are required on the form. Animals will not be weighed without a completed DUNF Form.** Lactating animal participants must turn their DUNF's in during market weigh-in as well.

Animal Identification Number for DUNF

Completing the Animal Identification Number section of the Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) has been an issue in the past. Please make sure you include a number from a tag or tattoo that identifies your animal. Names are not valid forms of identification. If you do not have a tag or tattoo on your animal, you need to get one before fair. **Goat and lamb exhibitors** must include **tag numbers and Scrapie tag information** (both premise and individual numbers). **Hog exhibitors** must include **tag numbers and the 840#**, the 15 digit numeric code on the back portion of the tag located above the tag number. This 840# was also given to you on the copy of your hog registration from the Extension Office. These numbers should already have been recorded in your record books before Livestock Skillathon.

Contacting your Livestock Buyers

Now is the time to be talking to potential buyers for your market project. The Livestock Sale committee is provided with a limited number of free passes, Thursday only, to give to these buyers. Any new buyer you would like to have included is welcome. You need to contact **Marilynn Lucas or Peg Stephens** with the names and addresses of any new buyers. Each person requiring admission must have a valid pass which is good for one person only.

It is the responsibility of each individual youth to invite buyers to the sale to bid on and/or purchase their animal. We suggest youth contact their potential buyers either by letter, in person or both. Items to include in the letter or discussion: Name, age, 4-H Club, school attending, grade, and identify the market project to be sold (including breed, sex, and tag number). It might be helpful to include a picture of the youth and the market animal being sold. **Be sure to include the Livestock Sale Schedule for 2015.** You want to make sure your buyers are there for your sale time.

Junior Fair Livestock Sale Help Wanted

The Belmont County Livestock Sale Committee is looking for ring crew help during the livestock sale Thursday, September 10th at 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Members of the ring crew will assist the auctioneer during the livestock sale by spotting bids from livestock buyers in the crowd to ensure that no bids are missed during the sale. Any questions or if interested, please contact Livestock Sale Committee President, Leroy Carpenter at 740-391-8218.

Paint a Plow Program with ODOT

In an effort to promote public safety and to encourage awareness for the Ohio Department of Transportation, 4-H clubs are invited to participate in the "Paint a Plow" program. The painting must be tasteful and be directed at one of this year's two themed categories: Patriotism or Snow and Ice Safety. All materials and supplies for painting of the plow must be furnished by the organization. The plow will remain the property of the Ohio Department of Transportation. The deadline to submit an application is September 4, 2015. For more information contact Mandy Phillips, Highway Management at 330-308-3906 or email her at Amanda.phillips@dot.ohio.gov.



More Information Reverse Raffle

"Bucks for Buckeyes VII" is the theme for the 7th Annual Belmont County 4-H Reverse Raffle scheduled for **Wednesday, October 21, 2015** at the Carnes Center. Each 4-H Club will once again have the opportunity to enter a theme basket, with a value of at least \$50, in the Silent Auction. Each participating club will receive an equal amount of the total proceeds from the Silent auction. *Each club participating last year received over \$100 each!* More details will be available in the Fair Packet.

Reminder for Clubs Treasurers

Check issued by 4-H Council **must be cashed within 2 months.** They will not be reissued. Uncashed checks is a poor practice when handling club monies.



Pictures from
Project Judging
Day!



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FYF: For Your Fridge

A quick guide to upcoming events...call or email us with any questions!

August

- 15 – Junior Fair Board Work Day 9 am, Fairgrounds
- 15 – Shooting Sports Shoot, Wharton's
- 18 – Livestock Sale Committee 6 pm, Fairgrounds
- 20 – Junior Fair Board Meeting 6 pm, Fairgrounds
- 25 – Reverse Raffle 6 pm, EO
- 27 – Senior Fair Board 8pm, Fairgrounds
- 28 - Fair Packets Ready for Pick Up, EO

September

- 6 – Junior Fair Board Work Day, Fairgrounds
- 7 – Labor Day, Office Closed
- 8-13 – Belmont County Fair
- 19 – Shooting Sports Shoot, Wharton's
- 22 – REVERSE Raffle, EO
- 23 – CARTEENS Program, EO
- 24 – Senior Fair Board 8 pm, Fairgrounds

October

- 1 – Junior Fair Board Apps Due, EO
- 1 – 4-H Council 6 pm, EO
- 6 – Reverse Raffle 6 pm, EO
- 8 – Extension Advisory Meeting, EO
- 8 – Horse Committee Meeting 6 pm, EO
- 14 – CARTEENS Program, EO
- 15 – Junior Fair Board Meeting 6 pm, EO
- 17 – Shooting Sport Shoot, Wharton's
- 20 – Livestock Sale Committee 6 pm, EO
- 21 – Reverse Raffle Event, 5 pm Doors Open, Carnes Center
- 22 – Senior Fair Board 8 pm, Fairgrounds

