Marias Fair Fun Time

4-H Checklist

- Project books need to be up to date and checked off the Extension Office list by Cleanup Day July 14 or members won’t be allowed to exhibit at fair.

- Pick up your families second fair packet will be available Friday, July 6th in the afternoon.

- Meet your requirements for Market Animal Quality Assurance and Food Safety. Check the list inside the newsletter to see if you are required to take either training this year.

- Marias Fair Clean Up—All Members are expected to help with cleanup either before or after the fair. Dates are July 14th 8 AM to 12 PM. And July 22th at 8:30 AM. Please bring shovels and wheel barrows—we are planning on filling in some gopher holes on the fairgrounds in the camping and steer tie out areas.

- 4-H members who ONLY have livestock or livestock educational displays will interview in the morning - check the schedule for times. 4-H members with 20 or more exhibits, please arrive by 1:30 p.m. to start the Interview Judging process.
Important Marias Fair 4-H Attendance Requirements!
Please remember that if you plan on exhibiting at the fair this year you need to meet the following requirements:

**Club attendance and Community Service:**
Members must attend a minimum of four (4) club meetings and participate in 5 hours of community service to participate in fair. One meeting maybe substituted for other 4-H events. Organizational leaders will submit documentation for club member attendance and community service hours to the extension office by June 30th of each year.

**Food Safety Training:**
Members who attend the fair are required to work one food both shift. Each member needs to attend Food Safety Training every two years. If you are on the list below you will need to attend Food Safety Training before fair. There will be trainings scheduled in the months of June and July. Members who do not complete a Food Booth shift will not be able to exhibit at next years fair.

- Justice Byers
- Britanny Hanson
- Nikki Hartwell
- Clayton Jorata
- Bryant Metz
- Landan Omdahl
- Cameron Peltier

**Market Quality Assurance Training:**
Market Animal members are required to attend Market Quality Assurance every two years. If your name is on the list below please make arrangements with the office for Market Quality Assurance. Kim will be holding a Quality Assurance training after Alice’s Food Safety training at Clean Up.

- Camron Peltier
- Nikki Hartwell

**Livestock Judging Contest**
The livestock judging contest will begin at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 20 and is open to all 4-H members. Registration will be completed through FairEntry. Members need to sign up through this process. Judging cards will be available for pick up at 2:30 in the Seewald Barn.

**Pre-Sale Social**
There will be a pre-sale social from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Seewald Barn on Saturday, July 21 with appetizers and water. Buyers are invited to sample goat, lamb and pork. Youth and parents will be needed around 11:45 to set up, serve, clean up and prepare for the livestock sale afterwards.

**Purple Ribbon ‘Made in 4-H’ Auction**
This is a great opportunity to showcase and sell one of your purple ribbon items. The sale will be Saturday, July 21, from 1-5p.m. in the Seewald Barn. The sale will highlight high quality project work completed by 4-Hers. Through the process, 4-Hers will have the opportunity to learn financial skills by tracking the cost to make their item, learning what is marketable and being rewarded for creating high quality work.

See your fair packet for more details.
4-H BULL’S-EYE PROGRAM

In an effort to improve animal welfare during the fair, a BULL’S-EYE program will be implemented. Previously, some project members did not provide adequate care for their animals and barn superintendents could not reach the member to remedy the problem. The BULL’S-EYE is our attempt to remedy this. If a livestock project member is deficient in the care of their animal at the fair, a BULL’S-EYE will be placed on the pen. The member will have no more than 2 hours to contact a barn superintendent. The barn superintendent’s telephone number will be on the BULL’S-EYE. If you don’t have access to a phone, find a County Extension Agent or go to the fair office and they will put you in contact with the appropriate superintendent. Once connection between the member and barn superintendent have been made, the member will be instructed on how to remedy the inadequate care of their animal. In the event a member does not contact the livestock committee within the allotted 2 hours or does not perform the remedy as directed by the superintendent, the member will be asked to take the animal home and they will be disqualified from showing or selling their animal.

Landan, Bryant, Clayton, and Kiana listen to a presenter at the Small Animal Clinic
2018 Horse Buck Raffle
The Marias Fair Horse Committee is selling raffle tickets to raise funds for arena upgrades! We are raffling off ‘horse bucks’ that can be spent at any of our sponsoring businesses! The grand prize is $1000 with consolation prizes of $600 and $400. Tickets are 1 for $5, 6 for $25, or 12 for $50. Call the Extension office if you are interested in buying tickets!

4-H Lamb Slick Shearing
Harley McCuin will be slick shearing lambs at the Old Sale Barn in Shelby on Monday, July 9th at 4:30 p.m.
Members should bring a bag for their wool, and pay Harley $10/lamb.
Per the Marias Fair rules, lambs need to be sheared 0 to 15 days before the Wednesday weigh-in at fair.
If you have any questions, please contact Kari Lewis at 873-2239 or kari.lewis@montana.edu.

Horse Show Check-In 7/20
Horse Show participants need to check-in before the show on Friday morning at 7:15. Barrels and poles will be done on Friday following the horse show. Find the 2018 Marias Fair Horse patterns at www.msuextension.org/marias fair.

Freestyle Horse Show
Friday Night at the Rodeo
Those participating in the freestyle show need to turn in their music to Bonnie Kinyon by Wednesday of the fair at 5 p.m. Patterns need to be turned in during check-in Friday morning if you haven’t already done so. Remember to challenge yourself with your freestyle pattern! Costumes are encouraged and having fun is required!

Livestock Members
Know your tag number— It is important that your information on FairEntry is correct as that is what appears on show programs and the auction sale flyer. Knowing your information will help the process go more smoothly!
If you decide to bring a different animal to the fair than what you entered on FairEntry, it is not a problem. Please call the Extension Agents as soon as possible so we can change your information and alert the necessary people.

Livestock Only Interviews—Project interviews for members who are in Livestock ONLY will be Wednesday morning, July 18
check in at:
9:45 AM for last names A-J
10:45 AM for last names K-Z

Fair Entry Scratches
If you are not able to complete all the projects you signed up to bring, please let us know so we can save you time in line on interview day. You can either call the office and let Kim or Alice know or bring the green entry sheet enclosed in your second packet with you to interview day on Wednesday. Please place a check mark next to the entries you are not bringing. Please do not cross out with a black marker)
Open Class Challenge
The 4-H Club entering the most Open Class entries will win an ice cream party! Entries are easy & DO NOT need to be entered in advance and are free (barn fees do apply.) Bring your item(s) Tuesday evening or Wednesday to the fair. You can also earn more premium money!
In addition, any youth (age 12 and under) exhibiting 5+ items in Open Class will receive an ice cream coupon redeemable at the food booth!
Visit mariasfair.com for a full list of categories and codes. If you have any questions, please call Julia Arnold at 470-0389 or jarnoldmt@gmail.com

Small Animal Poster Contest
The Small Animal Committee would like to promote our Small Animal Shows at the Marias Fair. Small Animal project members are invited to create a poster promoting their animals show. Each entry will receive a milkshake ticket for the food booth and they will be posted around the fairgrounds during the Fair.
Please include: What animal is being shown, what time the show is, and what barn the show is being held in! Please call Kim for more information.

Carcass Award Show
The carcass awards show will be Tuesday, July 31st in Shelby at the Exhibit Building at the fairgrounds, and Wednesday, August 1st at the Glacier County Library, both at 6:30 PM.
The evening will consist of a fun, carcass oriented learning program, followed by the swine and lamb carcass awards and distribution of checks.
Beef results and awards will be distributed through the Extension Office when complete in mid August.

Thank you!
Please do not forget to thank your buyer for purchasing your Market Animal. Make sure to personally thank them and may people bring poster board and a marker to make a sign to hang over their pen!
Upcoming Programs & Meetings:

- July 4th: Office Closed
- July 9th: 4-H Lamb Slick Shearing—Fairgrounds 4:30 PM
- July 10–13: 4-H Congress—Bozeman
- July 14th: Fair Clean Up 8 AM
  - Food Safety Training & Livestock Quality Assurance  11:30 AM
- July 18–22nd: Marias Fair
- July 22nd: Post Fair Clean Up
- July 31: Carcass Contest Award Show @ Shelby
- August 1: Carcass Contest Award Show @ Cut Bank

Club News Wanted: Do you have something special planned for your club meeting or special activity coming up? Let everyone in the 4-H community know what is happening with your club. You can email your story and pictures to kimberly.suta@montana.edu or mail to the Toole County Extension Office; 226 1st Street South, Shelby, MT 59474 by the last Friday of each month. We are always looking for content for the Facebook page to brag on our awesome Toole County 4-Hers!!

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