



Kent County 4-H

March 2018

2018-2019 Livestock Projects

As hard as it may be to believe, it is time again to start thinking of what livestock project you would like to have for the 2019 county show and major show season. If you are interested in showing cattle next year, it is time to decide. The show calf buying season has begun and will run until validation in June. Lambs will begin to start selling very soon, goats will be available late spring and into summer, pigs will begin selling late summer into the fall, and rabbit breeders will start taking orders for the county show around the time school starts back in the fall.

Livestock Validation Schedule

Steers

County-June
Major-June

Heifers

County-June
Major-June
Major Show Only-November

Lambs and Goats

State Fair-June
County-October
Major-October

Pigs

State Fair-June
County-November
Major-November

Rabbits

County-December

As soon as the exact validation dates and times are set, the Extension Office will send out that information.



Elizabeth Smith with her 4th Place
Crossbred Barrow
2018 San Angelo Stock Show

Steer, Heifer & State Fair Validation Tag Order

State validation tag orders for market steers, the first round of heifers, and all animals going to the State Fair, is right around the corner. Please let the Extension Office know by **April 1st** if you plan on showing steers and heifers at major shows for the 2019 season and if you are planning on taking any animals to the 2018 State Fair of Texas.



Jaylee Reynolds with her 5th Place Chi Breeding Heifer
2018 San Angelo Stock Show

Spring Contest

Preparations for spring contest are underway with many practices starting soon or already begun. Contest offered this time of year include horse judging, fashion show and shooting sports to name a few. See the 4-H calendar below for times and dates of practices and contests. If you have any questions about these contests, please contact the Extension Office.

Horse Validation

The validation process for horse shows started March 1st and is on 4-H Connect. You will need to upload pictures of your horses, registration papers if the horse is registered, and a current negative coggins test. Cost to validate a horse is \$10 per head from **now until April 15th**. After that, the price increases to \$20 per horse through **May 1st**. If you have any questions about the validation process, or need help uploading your validation information to 4-H Connect, please contact the office.

County Show Checks

County Show checks have been available since February 16th at the Extension Office. Checks can be picked up anytime during business hours by the exhibitor or their parents/guardians.

When bringing your thank you notes in, we kindly ask that you have them ready for the mail by addressing and stamping each one.

If you need another donor list, please contact the office. We do ask everyone to try to complete your cards by March 20th. We want to thank our donors in a timely manner. We are very appreciative of their support of the exhibitors of the Kent County Junior Livestock Show.

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4-H Calendar

March

18 Kent County Fashion Show
19 District Fashion Show Entries Due to Office
20 Clever Clover Club Meeting
21 District Photography Entries Due to Office
21 Shooting Sports Practice
22 Stars of Tomorrow Club Meeting
28 Shooting Sports Practice
29 Horse Judging Practice

April

3 Clever Clover Club Meeting
4 Shooting Sports Practice
5 Horse Judging Practice
9 District Roundup Entries Due to Office

April continued

11 Shooting Sports Practice & District Contest Entries Due
12 Horse Judging Practice
13 District Fashion Storyboard-Graham
14 District Fashion Show- Graham
15 Horse Validation Deadline without Late Fee
16 District Horse Judging- Vernon
18 Shooting Sports Practice
25 District Roundup- Vernon
Share the fun, S.E.T., Public Speaking, Educational Presentations
25 Photography- Vernon
25 Shooting Sports Practice
28 District Rifle/Pistol Contest-Wichita Falls

May

1 Clever Clover Club Meeting
1 Horse Validation Deadline with Late Fee
5 District Archery Contest
19 District Trap Contest

June

11-15 State Roundup
20-22 Horse Show-Vernon