



Mach/April 2021

# ROSS COUNTY 4-H HOTLINE

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**Ross County Shooting Sports exhibitors will be receiving an email from Sally in the next week with project details! Getting excited for a great year!**

Welcome back Ross County 4-H'ers,

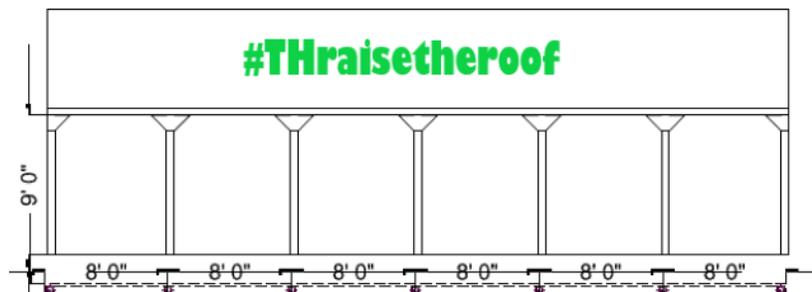
**We made it through enrollment!** Thank you for sticking with us despite so many unknowns, challenges, and changes. Together we will rebuild and retain the most important parts of what we do— hands-on learning with great friends and adult role models! We'll keep you informed as we transition back to in-person activities more and more! As we move through March, please check out the project books and activities that you have signed up for to make sure they are a good fit for your interests and goals in 2021. If not, no biggie, just call/email the office to make a project change by April 1.

We're excited to soak up some quality time outdoors and potentially with each other at long last! Stay well, don't hesitate to reach out with questions, and know that we are cheering SO loudly for your success!

~Katie Wells, 4-H Educator

## TAR HOLLOW SHELTER HOUSE & RESTROOM FUNDRAISER

Tar Hollow Resident Camp has been hosting visitors and campers for more than 80 years! Thousands of youth, many now parents and grandparents, have been loyal to this special place for the memories made and the impact it had on their personal development for generations. We love what we have but would like to work to make the best better by building a new covered area that provides good programming space in sunshine and in rain. The structure would be a 36 x 48 ft covered shelter house with concrete floor. Due to building standards, we want to build an ADA accessible bathroom nearby. The challenge is the new building location is fairly far from main camp; therefore, we would like to build a two-stall waterless restroom close by. **With your help, we have raised \$27,000! Help us raise the remaining \$13,000 to ensure Tar Hollow users have another great large sheltered place to gather to forge friendships, test limits and explore interest areas.**



**To donate send check to Ross County Extension memo: TH Shelter House**



### ***What can you do to help raise money for the Shelter House?***

Ask your 4-H club, ask an employer, ask someone who went to camp with you as a camper, counselor, or staff member, ask your parents who sent you to camp! Ask, ask, ask! It's TOTALLY OK if they say no! But you won't know unless you ask! We need to spread the word that it's happening to give people a chance! We don't want to miss out on funding because people "didn't know!"



# **STATEWIDE 4-H CAMPS!**

## **4-H Stem Camp at Canter's Cave**

Youth completing 5th - 7th grades this spring from an 11-county region in southern Ohio (including Ross) are invited to attend STEM Camp at Canter's Cave this summer. The camp runs from **June 21-24, 2021**. It will be held at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp in Jackson, Ohio. The fee is just \$82 per camper. Only the first 90 registrants will be accepted, and **registrations are due by May 1**. Scholarship info & registration forms available at the Extension office or our website [ross.osu.edu](http://ross.osu.edu).

## **Ohio Special Needs Camp**

A special needs camp for children (ages 8-18) with multiple disabilities will be held at Elizabeth L. Evans Outdoor Education Center/Canter's Cave 4-H camp from **July 9-11, 2021**. Each camper will need to be accompanied by a caregiver. For information, contact Michelle Stumbo at the Meigs County Extension office, 740-992-4719 or via email, [Stumbo.5@osu.edu](mailto:Stumbo.5@osu.edu).

Scholarships may be available for Ross County 4-H members and their caregiver interested in attending. Forms will also be available in our Extension office. Check out the YouTube clip about the Special Needs 4-H camp:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ww6iV7-d9Es>

## **Space Adventure Camp**

June 14-16, 2021 at Marietta College Campus! Go to: <http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/4-h-science/4-h-center-camps> for more information!.

**\*\*SCHOLARSHIPS for ALL CAMPS potentially available through 4-H Committee upon request and need.**

**Countless memories are made possible every year by generous families who step up financially to help others step out of their comfort zones and be able to attend camp. Contact the office today to help sponsor a camper through scholarship donations!**



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## **4-H CAMP DATES**

**Senior Camp/6-9 grades**

**June 10-13**

**Junior Camp/3-5 grades**

**June 25-28**

**Cloverbud Camp/K-2 grades**

**June 19**

**Teen Camp/9-12**

**July 5-6**

## **What do Ohio 4-H Camps Look Like for Summer 2021?**

**OSU Administration is working to decide on the format and rules for camping by April 1, 2021. Ross County will work to respond to their decision as quickly as possible after it is released. Regardless, we will also have to work with Tar Hollow/Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources and our local Health Department to get approval of our camping plans.**

**For now, we are planning on NO Camper Round Up. INSTEAD, there will be an online registration for all camps— pricing will be discounted this year so that all Jr./Sr. Camper fees will be \$130 and all Cloverbud fees will be \$40**

**\*fees are subject to change based on decisions ahead**

**We'll let you know as soon as we know because we ALL love camp!**

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## **Elizabeth's Hope**

A local nonprofit pregnancy resource center in Chillicothe. We provide free limited ultrasounds and pregnancy tests. We provide educational classes and baby products to pregnant women and women with young children 2 and under. We are always in need of donations of baby items such as diapers, wipes, bottles, and formula. We have easy ways to support our organization and can help you organize a community service project. Some examples of projects are diaper drives, baby showers, or filling baby bottles we provide with spare change. For more information call Dawn Knauff at 740-772-4372 or 740-703-3299.

## **Operation Military Kids**

Ohio Military Kids is a partnership with Ohio State University Extension 4-H Youth Development and Ohio National Guard Family Readiness. This partnership allows us to put on numerous events around the state of Ohio.

**From overnights, daylong programs, weekend camps, and even a weeklong camp, these events are open to youth of military families. 4-H older youth and adults can volunteer for special OMK events around the state.**

With our event season approaching, we are all excited to embrace the new year of 2021! Ohio Military Kids just launched their first wave of events for March and April. These events include two day long horse camps, a zoo overnight, and a weekend farm visit. Visit our website at [go.osu.edu/OMKevents](http://go.osu.edu/OMKevents) to learn more about the 2021 adventures of Ohio Military Kids!

## **ROSS COUNTY LITTER CONTROL & RECYCLING WANTS YOU!**

Join Ross County Litter Control & Recycling for their **Annual Spring Cleanup Campaign, April 1 – May 31**. 4-H clubs (ages 12 and up recommended) can participate by volunteering to clean a section of county or township roadway, waterway or other public area. Ross County Litter Control & Recycling will loan you a trunk that contains safety vests, a first aid kit, a caution flag, and bags for your cleanup. A Materials Checklist, Safety Considerations and Summary Report are included. You are not responsible for disposal. When you schedule your cleanup, Ross County Litter Control will schedule a time to pick up your bags of litter following your cleanup.

**Our Adopt-A-Road Program** is also available to 4-H clubs. To become an Adopt-A-Road partner, your club would agree to clean an approximate 2 mile stretch of a county or township road of your choice twice a year. Materials and disposal are provided. Ages 12 and up are eligible.

**Guest Speaker presentations** are available on recycling, litter prevention, resource conservation, lowering your carbon footprint and other related topics. All presentations are FREE and can be scheduled for evening or weekend meetings with advanced notice. This is a great way to fulfill environmental or health and safety requirements!

**For presentations, questions about Adopt-A-Road or other community service opportunities or to schedule your cleanup, Contact Judi Mannion at 740-772-5326. We look forward to hearing from you!**



## MARKET CHICKEN

Market Chicken orders are due in the Extension office by 4:30 pm on *April 1*. Orders must be in and paid (\$20) by this date or the member will not have chickens to take to the fair. Chick orders are made VIRTUALLY by completing the form found at [go.osu.edu/2021marketchickens](http://go.osu.edu/2021marketchickens). Chick Pick-up Day is TBD.

Poultry Project exhibitors WILL BE required to produce a Pullorum-free Certificate at fair for exhibition. Follow the Ross County Jr. Fair Poultry Facebook page for the latest information.

## MARKET RABBIT

If a member has light or heavy-weight rabbits, those rabbits will NOT sell at the Rabbit Sale on Saturday of fair; these animals will go to the packer. *Light-weight and heavy-weight rabbits are NOT allowed to go home.* Members will show the rabbits on Wednesday in separate classes for heavy and light-weight rabbits. The member is eligible to participate in Showmanship.

Be thinking about home grown rabbit entries for the Jr. Fair!

## MARKET BEEF

- March 6 from 9 am – 11 am, also offering hoof trimming that morning
- March 8 from 6 pm – 8 pm

Market Beef Tag-Ins (no weight competitions in 2021 due to pushed back date):

- All animals MUST be able to be walked into a chute without a corral to be tagged.
- All animals must be free of horns/scurs
- All on-site must wear a mask
- Each vehicle should only have exhibitors plus 1-2 parents/guardians to assist (limiting people on-site)
- NO SPECTATORS/EXTRAS ALLOWED THIS YEAR :(

## BOOTH THEME CONTEST

Submit Booth Theme ideas to [wells.1614@osu.edu](mailto:wells.1614@osu.edu)

## FAIR BOOK SLOGAN CONTEST

Submit ideas by **March 30** to:  
Ross Co. Sr. Fair Board  
P.O. Box 614, Chillicothe, OH 45601  
or email: [secretary@rosscountyfair.com](mailto:secretary@rosscountyfair.com)

## SPRING TAG-IN @

### Fairgrounds

Saturday, May 1 8:00 am – 11:00 am  
Monday, May 3 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
ALL Hogs, Lambs and Goats will be weighed/tagged on these 2 dates

## WIN TWO CORREIDALE EWES

Pair of ewes from the Ohio CWIN TWO CORREIDALE EWES

Pair of ewes from the Ohio Corriedale Club are being offered to a youth exhibitor interested in starting their own flock and showing as a Jr. Fair Project. Applications due April 1. Contact Jodie Duff [duffyjd@msn.com](mailto:duffyjd@msn.com).

## CALF SCRAMBLE

Participants must be 13 years old and active in 4-H or FFA. Applications are due by May 1. Online entries can be found at [go.osu.edu/calfscramble2021](http://go.osu.edu/calfscramble2021).

## HOOF TRIMMING

Saturday, March 6, 9 am – 11 am at the fairgrounds  
Questions? Email Chris Hooks [chrishooks@roadrunner.com](mailto:chrishooks@roadrunner.com)

## GOAT- COUNTY BORN, BRED, AND RAISED

If your goat was born, bred, and raised in Ross Co. you are eligible to complete in this show. Superintendents are happy to answer questions on how it operates.

**BREEDERS MUST REGISTER BY MAY 1:**

[go.osu.edu/CBBRbreeder](http://go.osu.edu/CBBRbreeder)

**EXHIBITORS MUST REGISTER BY MAY 1:**

[go.osu.edu/CBBRexhibitor](http://go.osu.edu/CBBRexhibitor)

Species	Facebook Page
Cattle	Ross County Fair Cattle Barn
Goats	Ross Co. Goat Barn
Horses	Ross County 4-H Horse Committee
Poultry	Ross County Jr. Fair Poultry
Rabbits	Ross County Fair Rabbit Barn
Sheep	Ross County Fair Sheep Barn
Swine	Ross County Fair Swine Barn

## **QUALITY ASSURANCE POLICY**

In order to show and sell animals at the Ross County Fair, all Quality Assurance (QA) **MUST** be completed and proof of attendance must be submitted to the Extension office by **June 20, 2021**. All Exhibitors of Market Steers, Market Hogs, Market Lambs, Market Goats, Market & Pet Rabbits, Poultry (including egg production), Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goats must attend Quality Assurance training annually in order to show, exhibit and sell their animals at the county or state fair. ***If an exhibitor is showing any of the above animals at the Ohio State Fair they must complete the training prior to June 15 per the OSF guidelines.***

### **Advisor Notes:**

By now, your club members should be registered for virtual County Quality Assurance. Remind them to be 5 minutes early for their session.

Other options:

- Attend a QA program at a qualified area or state event. For dates and locations call the Extension office, or go to [ross.osu.edu](http://ross.osu.edu); 4-H Youth Development; 4-H Families; then click on Quality Assurance.
- If 14 and up, participate in the YQCA online training program using your 4-H online log-in info: [yqca.org](http://yqca.org)

**Remind your members that if they do attend a QA in another county or a State event, it is the youth's responsibility to bring proof back to the Ross County Extension office! Ohio 4-H QA policy can be found on our website.**

## **ROSS COUNTY VIRTUAL QUALITY ASSURANCE DATES**

Tuesday, March 23 @ 5:00 pm

Wednesday, March 31 @ 5:00 pm

Tuesday, April 6 @ 5:00 pm

Thursday, April 15 @ 5:00 pm

Wednesday, April 21 @ 5:00 pm

Monday, April 26 @ 5:00 pm

Pre-registration is required—

[go.osu.edu/qualityassurance21](http://go.osu.edu/qualityassurance21)

- A link to join the meeting will be **immediately** emailed to you if you correctly typed in your email address

## **LAST CHANCE QA**

**Wed. June 15: 6:00 pm \*\*\$20.00 fee\*\***

**Planned to be in-person at this time!  
This is the last option to meet the Ohio Revised Code QA deadline of 45 days before exhibition.**

**Project enrollment changes can be made by calling the office through April 1 IF an exhibitor is already registered as a 4-H member.**

## **TWO MARKET ANIMAL SPECIES PERMITTED**

Youth can sign up for up to TWO Market Livestock projects following the rules for numbers permitted for each species. For example, a youth can take TWO market hogs AND one pen of Market Rabbits. Another example could be ONE market beef and TWO sheep. Only ONE ANIMAL will go through the Jr. Fair Sale ring unless the exhibitor has multiple OVERALL GRAND or RESERVE GRAND champions (then permitted to sell each champion). The other market animals exhibited will receive packer price only. Youth will have to designate BEFORE FAIR which specific animal they are selling via an online form. Deadline date TBD.

## **Jr. Fair Form Updates for 2021**

**Non-Market Livestock Forms-** online only, due by **July 15**, summary at end that can be saved for your personal records: [go.osu.edu/nonmarketlivestock21](http://go.osu.edu/nonmarketlivestock21)

**Home Grown Rabbit Forms-** online only, due by **July 15**, summary at end that can be saved for your personal records: [go.osu.edu/homegrown21](http://go.osu.edu/homegrown21)

**Goat County Born, Bred, and Raised-** breeders will need to register their scrapie tag numbers and youth they sold to in online form by May 1— exhibitors will also have an online form to complete by May 15.



## **PROJECT REQUIREMENTS**

Did you know that Sally spends DAYS OF HER LIFE creating these helpful project-specific rules/reminder hand outs to help you be successful? PLEASE help us, help you by reading them!

Project Requirements will be on YELLOW papers to be handed out with your books/livestock records. MAKE SURE YOU READ THEM and SAVE THEM to RE-READ as necessary! Important details and changes are highlighted in these papers each year to help you be successful!

## **SKILLATHON DATES 2021**

**July 13 from 4-7 pm @ fairgrounds**

**July 24 from 9- 12noon @ fairgrounds**

\*\*only make-up option is to participate in Ohio State Fair Skillathon and submit your proof of participation.

## **SKILLATHON 2021 – REQUIRED**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>Senior</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>12-14</b>	<b>15-18</b>	
Station 1	Record Book	Record Book	Record Book	All youth exhibitors must complete and bring the paper livestock record book. **Includes completed thank you note.
Station 2	Livestock Kit Testing	Livestock Kit Testing	Livestock Kit Testing	The existing Skillathon Kits parts (breeds, parts, reproductive systems, cuts of meat, etc.) will be identified as appropriate for different age levels-consistent across species. Only one type will be covered each year and they will rotate.
Station 3	Quality Assurance	Quality Assurance	Quality Assurance	The QA team of adult volunteers will select a topic relevant to the 3 GPPs that are highlighted each year. Kids will randomly select questions to answer.
Station 4	Interview about Project	Interview about Project	Interview about Project	Youth will be asked questions related to their project's development, species, etc. Topic lists will be shared in advance.
Station 5	Skills: Basic Animal Care	Skills: Showmanship Best Practices	Skills: Situational Word Problem	Each age group will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge on an age specific skill area. Topics will be shared in advance and youth will randomly select questions to answer.

## **SKILLATHON STUDY TOOLS**

**Study Guides:** posted on Ross County 4-H website **after May 1:** <http://ross.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/skillathon>

**Library:** Practice program available on the Chillicothe and Ross County Public Library computers

**Skillathon Club Officer:** Think about making this a mandatory activity during your club meetings planned by a youth.

## **LIVESTOCK PROJECT BOOKS**

These books will be provided to members taking the specie for the first time. A Livestock Resource Book is also only given to the member the first year (1 per family—only if family is new to project). Otherwise, members within a family are to share the handbook provided previously—if lost or not available the family will need to purchase a new copy. Project books are available for purchase in the Ext. Office.

## **2021 PROJECT RECORD BOOKS**

All second year and beyond members will receive a paper project record packets that will need to be completed and brought to SKILLATHON JUDGING for grading

\*\*Activities in project books are still relevant to 2<sup>nd</sup> year+ exhibitors so make sure you check them out!

## MARCH

- 1 -Due: Enrollments, Charter, Dues  
-QA session registration deadline  
-Sr. Fair Board Mtg. 7pm @Fairgrounds
- 3 -Camp Counselor Training 5pm @RCSC
- 4 -Sale Committee Meeting 6:30pm @RCSC
- 6 -Market Beef Tag-In 9 am – 11 am @ Fairgrounds  
-Mkt. Beef Hoof Trimming 9am-12noon @Fairgrounds
- 6-7 -MXC Camp Counselor Workshop (Virtual)
- 7 -Countywide Club Meeting 2 pm (Virtual)
- 7-14 -Ohio 4-H Week
- 8 -Market Beef Tag-In 6 pm – 8 pm @ Fairgrounds  
-Jr. Fair Board Mtg. 6pm @Fairgrounds
- 9 -Jr. Leader's Meeting 7pm @ RCSC
- 15 -Horse Committee Mtg. 6:30pm @RCSC
- 18 -Counselor Training 5 pm @ Fairgrounds
- 22 - 4-H Advisory Committee
- 23 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm
- 27 -Carteens 9am @RCSC
- 31 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm

## APRIL

- 1 -Last Day for Any Project Changes
- 2 -Due: Market Chicken Orders w/payment  
-Dog Project Form (ID/Vaccine Cert)  
-Sale Committee 6:30pm @ RCSC
- 5 -Jr. Fair Board Mtg. 6pm @ Fairgrounds  
-Sr. Fair Board Mtg. 7pm @ Fairgrounds
- 6 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm
- 7 -Camp Counselor Training 5pm @RCSC
- 13 -Jr. Leader's Meeting 7pm @RCSC
- 15 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm
- 17-18 -Canter's Cave Counselor College
- 19 -Horse Committee Meeting 6:30pm @RSCS
- 21 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm
- 22 -Camp Counselor Training 5 pm RCSC
- 24 -JTOS/Carteens 9am @RCSC
- 26 -Virtual Quality Assurance @ 5:00 pm  
-4-H Advisory Committee @ 6:30 pm

## MAY

- 1 -Due: Camp Scholarship Applications  
-SPRING TAG-IN: HOGS, LAMBS & GOATS  
8am –11am @Fairgrounds
- 3 -SPRING TAG-IN: HOGS, LAMBS & GOATS  
6pm – 8pm @Fairgrounds  
-Sr. Fair Board Mtg. 7pm @Fairgrounds
- 5 -Camp Counselor Training 5pm @RCSC
- 6 -Camp Counselor Work Day 3 pm-6 pm @ RCSC  
-Sale Committee Mtg. 6:30pm @RCSC
- 10 -Jr. Fair Board Mtg. 6pm @Fairgrounds
- 11 -Junior Leader's Mtg. pm @RCSC
- 12 -Camp Counselor Work Day & Decorating 3 pm-6pm @ RCSC
- 13 -Camper Round-Up 4pm–7 pm @RCS
- 15 Due:
  - Fair Booth Request
  - Goat County Bred/Born/Raised Certificates
  - All Jr. Fair Night Entry Forms
  - King & Queen applications
- 17 -Horse Committee Mtg. 6:30pm @RCSC
- 20 -Camp Counselor Training 5pm @RCSC
- 29 -JTOS/Carteens 9am-12noon @RCSC
- 31 -Memorial Day—Office Closed

## **ONLINE FORM QUICK GUIDE**

FORM	LINK
Calf Scramble	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/caljscramble2021">go.osu.edu/caljscramble2021</a>
Fair 4 Every 1	NOT AVAILABLE YET
Home Grown Rabbit	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/homegrown21">go.osu.edu/homegrown21</a>
Market Chick Order Form	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/2021marketchickens">go.osu.edu/2021marketchickens</a>
Quality Assurance	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/qualityassurance21">go.osu.edu/qualityassurance21</a>
Showmanship	NOT AVAILABLE YET
King & Queen App	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/kq21">go.osu.edu/kq21</a>
Booth Request	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/boothrequest21">go.osu.edu/boothrequest21</a>
Early Project Judging	NOT AVAILABLE YET
Goat CountyBBR- breeder	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/CBBRbreeder">go.osu.edu/CBBRbreeder</a>
Goat CountyBBR- exhibitor	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/CBBRexhibitor">go.osu.edu/CBBRexhibitor</a>
Friend of 4-H	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/rcfriendof4h">go.osu.edu/rcfriendof4h</a>
Lip Sync	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/lipsync21">go.osu.edu/lipsync21</a>
Apple Pie	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/applepie21">go.osu.edu/applepie21</a>
Pie Eating	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/pieeating21">go.osu.edu/pieeating21</a>
Outhouse	<a href="http://go.osu.edu/outhouse21">go.osu.edu/outhouse21</a>
Non-Market Livestock	NOT AVAILABLE YET



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