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4-H Newsletter



May 2023

Welcome!

As we welcome May and warmer weather we also want to make you aware of important May deadlines to make sure you're eligible for upcoming events and fair! Please reach out to the Extension Office if you have any questions at all.

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The Extension Office will be closed May 2nd and May 29th for a County Holidays.

Fair Book

The 2023 fair book is posted to the Purdue Extension-Vigo County website and can be downloaded. There are limited numbers of hard copies available to purchase for \$10 at the Extension Office.



4-H Project Manuals

Most 4-H projects have manuals that give in-depth information for that project and can help with your fair exhibit. Project manuals are available at the Extension Office, please call in advance so we can get them ready for pickup.

Award Sponsors needed!

Help make the 2023 Vigo County Fair a success by sponsoring an award!
\$20 sponsors one set of exhibit hall awards.

Contact Erin at harmon79@purdue.edu or call 812-462-3371 for more information on how to sponsor!

Livestock Identification

All alpaca & llama, beef, dairy, goats, horse & pony, sheep, and swine must be entered into 4-H Online by 11:59pm on May 15, 2023 to exhibit the animal at the Vigo County Fair, NO EXTENSIONS. Equine and lama require color photos of the full animal. The other animals require tag numbers, tattoos, and/or ear notches depending on the animal.

Goat and Sheep tag day is May 13th from 9-11am at the Fairgrounds and is required for most animals, check the fair book for specifics. Beef & Dairy Feeder

Calves will be tagged 11am-1pm on May 13th. RFID tags for Swine and Registered Heifers can be purchased from the Extension Office during office hours.

If you think you may show (beef, dairy cattle, meat goats, sheep, swine) at the Indiana State Fair a DNA Hair Sample is due to the Extension Office in the official collection envelope on May 15th.

May is Bike Month

Get out and explore Vigo County with our Bike Month Passport. And we're bringing back the bike rodeo!

- Workshop May 13th 2-4pm at the 4-H Meeting Room
- Bike Rodeo June 24th 9am-Noon Location TBA *must sign-up in FairEntry.com
- Helmets are required! Water, snacks, and sunscreen are recommended.

Watch for pop-up bicycle events on Facebook in May & June! pending weather & interest

4-H Camp Registration due by May 5th



4-H Camp will take place from June 11-14, 2023 at Shakamak State Park. We will be camping with 4-H'ers from Sullivan, Owen, and Clay Counties. Daily activities will include boating, recreation, crafts, swimming, outdoor cooking, nature activities, and lots of silly songs and chants! 4-H Camp is open to all 4-H'ers currently in grades 3 through 6. You must be enrolled in Vigo County 4-H to attend 4-H Camp. If you have a non-4-H friend interested there is still time for them to enroll in 4-H!

The camp fee is \$120 per camper and covers your lodging, meals, camp t-shirt, and activities. There is limited funding to assist those with a financial need, please contact Sara to learn more prior to registration. Additionally, you will need money during camp to cover craft items (\$5 or less) and snacks at the pool concession stand. You will be responsible for your transportation to and from Shakamak State Park. Campers will need to be dropped off around 2 pm on Sunday, June 11 and picked up around 10 am on Wednesday, June 14. We have not finalized our camp schedule yet; the specific times will be sent to you in a letter along with important details a week prior to camp.

To sign up for 4-H Camp, you will register through 4-H Online under the events tab, instructions are available on our website. The registration deadline is May 5th. During registration we'll need to know any dietary restrictions, t-shirt size, and any bunk buddies your child requests. If you have any issues registering, please contact the Extension Office at shaag@purdue.edu or call 812-462-3371.

MINI 4-H DAY CAMP

JUNE 5-8 9A-12P

\$45 PER CAMPER

VIGO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

60 SPOTS AVAILABLE

Join us for 4 fun filled days of crafts, nature, science, animals, and friendship

REGISTRATION IS OPEN APRIL 24- MAY 12 VIA 4-H ONLINE

BROW2269@PURDUE.EDU WITH QUESTIONS

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4-H Mini Camp

Mini 4-H Camp will Be June 5th-8th from 9am-12pm. Registration is OPEN until May 12, or until spaces fill up. Sign up is on 4-H Online under the events tab. V2.4Honline.com

4-H Council Trivia Night

The 4-H Council is hosting a Trivia Night at Sycamore Winery on May 4th. Get a team together and email vigo4fund@gmail today and reserve your table for a fun night to raise money for Vigo County 4-H!

Trivia Night

With the Vigo County 4-H Council
At The Sycamore Winery
MC: Eric Michaels

Thurs. May 4th
at 6:30pm
Doors open at 5:45pm

\$15 per person or
Table of 8 for \$100

Over 20 SILENT AUCTION Baskets
*All proceeds go to Vigo County 4-H
and 4-H Council*

Tables are limited!
Reserve table at :
vigo4fund@gmail.com

Big THANK YOU to:



Last Call for 4-H State Trips

If you would like to attend a state 4-H trip and be eligible for funding, please return the Trip Interest Form and a \$50 deposit to the Extension Office. Download the Trip Interest Form on our website. Please make checks payable to Vigo County 4-H Council. The Vigo County 4-H Council has provided funding for 10 trip sponsorships. Most trip registrations are due to the state by May 15th, but turn in your paperwork early for a chance to receive sponsorship. Please note that you can go on multiple trips, but each 4-H member will only receive one trip scholarship. If selected for a 4-H Council Trip Scholarship, the \$50 will be deposited and a \$50 check to the 4-H family will be returned after successful completion of the trip. More information and the Trip Interest Form is on the website.

Trip opportunities include:

- 4-H Academy @ Purdue – Grades 9-12 – June 7-9
- 4-H Round-Up – Grades 7-9 – June 26-28
- 4-H Band – Grades 9-12 - June 24-26
- 4-H Chorus - Grades 9-12 - June 24-26
- State 4-H Jr. Leader Conference – Grades 9-12 – June 13-16– DePauw University
- National 4-H Congress– Grades 9-11 –November 24-28 –Atlanta, Georgia

Animal Ethics

New in 2023, Indiana 4-H Quality Care replaces YQCA for in-person trainings!

All beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry, and/or rabbits, 4-H members exhibiting at the Vigo County Fair and/or Indiana State Fair MUST be certified through the Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care OR Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) by July 7, 2023. Mini 4-Her's are exempt from the training.

Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care is an annual program that will include an in-person session presented by an Extension Educator. Once a 4-Her has attended the entirety of a session and participated in course activities, completion of the training will be documented in 4-H Online by the Educator. Trainings held in Vigo County will be free to Vigo County 4-H Members who completed 4-H enrollment by January 15th. Thank you to Effingham Equity for sponsoring the \$3 fee! Those exhibiting at State Fair will need to request a completion certificate.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals can be completed via online modules for \$12 per member at <http://yqcaprogram.org>. Some national shows (especially swine) still require YQCA. There are a limited number of YQCA coupons left from previous years that can be used for online training. Contact Sara to receive a coupon code. Those completing YQCA MUST email a copy of the completion certificate to shaag@purdue.edu.

Vigo County trainings will be held:

- *Monday, May 15 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room (Rabbit Meeting)*
- *Tuesday, June 20 from 5:00-6:00 PM in the Community Center*

Some training dates coincide with Vigo County 4-H club meeting dates, but the training is open to any youth. 4-Her's only attend one training, even if exhibiting multiple species.

Vigo Co. 4-H



IMPORTANT DATES

May 13- Goat, Sheep, and Bucket Calf Tag Day

May 15- 4-H Online Animal ID Deadline (all livestock except rabbits and poultry), State Fair DNA samples due, Add/Drop date for 4HOnline projects

June 11-14- 4-H Camp at Shakamak, Counselor Application available in March with Camper Registration in April

June 20- FairEntry.com deadline for ALL fair projects (This is different from 4-Honline!)

June 29- Exhibit Hall Judging (all non-perishable projects)

July 6- Exhibit Hall Judging (Cake Decorating, Foods, Crops, Garden, Floriculture & Mini)

JULY 8-15- Vigo County Fair



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2023 Project Judging Dates

June 29th

5:30pm-8:00pm

Achievement Book	Leadership
Aerospace	Livestock Posters
Any Other Craft	Llama/Alpaca Fiber Craft
ATV Safety	Llama/Alpaca Poster
Beekeeping	Model Craft
Bicycle Poster	Needle Craft
Blacksmithing	Photography
Cat Poster	Poultry Posters
Child Development	Public Awareness
Collections	Rabbit Posters
Computer	Recycling
Creative Writing	Scrapbooking
Dog Poster	Sewing Construction
Electric	Shooting Sports
Entomology	Small Engine
Farm Scene / Lego	Soil & Water / Discover the River
Fine Arts	Sportfishing
Forestry	Sports
Genealogy	Tractor Poster
Geology	Veterinary Science
Gift Wrapping	Weather & Climate
Health	Welding
Home Environment	Wildlife
Horse Lovers	Woodworking
I'm A Hoosier	
Just Sew	
Lawn and Garden	
Tractor Poster	

NO Mini 4-H Projects

July 6th

5:30pm-7:30pm

BBQ Poster
 Cake Decorating
 Create a Mix
 Crops
 Cupcake Decorating
 Floriculture
 Foods - Preserved
 Foods Baked
 Garden Herbs
 Garden Vegetables
 Microwave Cooking
 ALL Mini 4-H

Various Dates

BBQ Contest	7/14 @ 10am
Cat	7/11 @ 6pm
Consumer Clothing	7/15 @ 10am
Demonstration	7/11 @ 10am
Dog	6/28 @ 5:45pm
Fashion Revue	7/15 @ 10am
Informative 4-H	7/11 @ 10am
Presentation	
Little Critters	7/12 @ 5pm
Professional Persuasive	7/11 @ 10am
Presentation	
Public Speaking	7/11 @ 10am
Small Fruit	TBA

The Vigo County Fair will be held July 8th-15th



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Poster and Project Supplies

The Extension Office has poster boards and poster sleeves available. The Extension office takes cash or check but cannot process cards.

Office hours are 8 am - 4 pm Monday thru Friday.

Electric kits are no longer supplied in the Extension office.

For kits you may order here: www.eeinabox.com or buy from a third party.

Foam Boards- \$3.00

Plastic Foam Boards- \$3.50

Poster Sleeves- \$1.00

It's Paper Clover Time!

It's Paper Clover Time! Head to Tractor Supply Co. now through May 7th and get your paper clover at checkout to show your support. Clovers purchased in Terre Haute directly go to funding our volunteer teen camp counselors camp fee.

Spring Paper Clover: 4/26/23 – 5/7/23



May 2023

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

30 1 2 3 4 5 6

Beef Workshop - 6:30pm @ 4-H Meeting Room

Poultry 6:30pm @ 4-H Meeting Room

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Alpaca & Llama - 6pm @ 4-H Meeting Room

Jr Leaders - 6:30pm @ 4-H Meeting Room

Goat & Sheep Tag Day 9am-11am
Horse & Pony Measurement & Open Arena 10am @ Arena
Calf Tag Day 11am-1pm
Bike Rodeo Workshop 2pm @ 4-H Meeting Room

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Rabbit Livestock Quality Care Training 6 @ 4-H Meeting Room
Swine 6:30pm Community Center
Horse & Pony Measurement & Clinic 7pm @ Arena

Goat Club 6:30pm @ Community Center

Riley Rockets 6:30pm @ Community Center

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Scrapbooking - 2pm @ St Stephen's

Shooting Sports - 6:30pm @ Riley Conservation Club

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Linton Leaders - 3pm @ Agape Christian Church

Horse & Pony Clinic 7pm @ Arena

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Notes

MAY 15 ANIMAL ID DEADLINE & 4-H ONLINE DEADLINE

MAY IS NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

BIKE VIGO COUNTY

PASSPORT



Visit the following Terre Haute and Vigo County parks and take a picture biking and post to social media using **#VigoBikeMonth**

*Please follow rules of the road.

Brittlebank

Known as a premier pickleball destination in the Midwest

Collett

Listed on the National Register of Historical Places, dedicated in 1883

Deming

Largest city park, consisting of 177 acres, includes a 18-hole disc golf course

Dewey Point

Enjoy native & migratory wildlife at the Wabashiki State Fish and Wildlife Area

Dobbs

Has a Nature Center, Native American Museum, pond, & 3 miles of walking trails

Fairbanks

On the banks of the Wabash, it has an amphitheater which holds concerts

Griffin

A destination biking experience for riders of all ages, skills and abilities

Hawthorn

Borders the Heritage Trail, has a lake, campground, archery range & labyrinth

Maple Ave.

Features an 11-acre stocked trout fishing lake & a 0.6-mile paved trail

Memorial Mile

It is a one mile interpretive loop trail in the shape of the state of Indiana

Voorhees

Has the second largest skate park in the state of Indiana

Pick Your Own

Pick one of your favorite places to ride your bike not listed!



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