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Not sure where to get your 4-H questions answered? Here is a list of the best places to turn to when you have questions:

- Wells County 4-H Rule Book. You can purchase a paper copy of the rule book at the Extension Office, or you can find the rule book online at www.extension.purdue.edu/wells
- Your 4-H Club Leader (see front of 4-H Rule Book for contact information)
- The Wells County Extension Office / 4-H Youth Educator: 260-824-6412
- Find us on Facebook!



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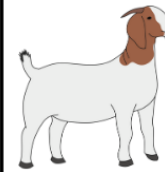
MAY EDITION

WELLS COUNTY 4-H

NEWSLETTER



MEAT GOAT & SHEEP ID DAY:



Sunday, May 3, 2025
10:00AM – 12:00PM

Sheep & Meat Goat Side of H-Barn



When You Arrive: Due to other events taking place at the park, please enter in through the Highway 1 drive across from Bummies.

All animals will need a 5-digit tag UNLESS they are a registered animal WITH registration papers. We will leave any extra tag in the ear for a second form of identification at our county fair.

If you have any questions or problems with transportation, contact Sheep Superintendent Cinda Mounsey, 260-273-2644; or Meat Goat Superintendent Kendra Mounsey, 260-273-9342.

WELLS COUNTY 4-H PARK EVENT RENTALS 4-H ASSOCIATION

Make sure to follow Wells County 4-H Park Event Rentals 4-H Association on Facebook. Here you can reach out to make reservations for all your rental needs.



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May 1st	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
May 1st	Dog Club, 6:30PM, Perfect Pet
May 3rd	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut
May 3rd	Llama/Alpaca, 4PM, Shearing
May 3rd	Goat/Sheep ID Day, 10AM - 12PM, H-Barn
May 4th	Llama/Alpaca, 4PM, Shearing
May 5th	Mini 4-H, 7PM, Project Theme: Foods, Meeting Rooms
May 5th	Junior Leader Meeting, 6:00PM, Meeting Rooms
May 8th	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
May 8th	Dog Club, 6:30PM, Perfect Pet
May 10th	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut
May 11th	Llama/Alpaca, 4PM, Outdoor Meeting
May 12th	H&P Contesting Practice, 6PM
May 13th	H&P Pleasure Practice, 6PM
May 14th	Club Leader Meeting, 7:00PM, Meeting Rooms
May 14th	QLC Training, 6:00M, Expo Hall
May 15th	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
May 15th	Dog Club, 6:30PM, Perfect Pet
May 17th	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut
May 17th	Dairy Goat Showmanship Clinic, 10:30AM, H-Barn Show Arena
May 18th	Llama/Alpaca, 4PM, Outdoor Meeting
May 19th	H&P Contesting Practice, 6PM
May 19th	H&P Pleasure Practice, 6PM
May 22nd	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
May 22nd	Dog Club, 6:30PM, Perfect Pet
May 24th	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut
May 25th	Llama/Alpaca, 4PM, Outdoor Meeting
May 26th	H&P Contesting Practice, 6PM
May 27th	H&P Pleasure Practice, 6PM
May 29th	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
May 29th	Dog Club, 6:30PM, Perfect Pet
May 31st	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut



June 2nd	4-H Camp, Epworth Forest
June 2nd	Junior Leader Meeting, 6:00PM, Meeting Rooms
June 4th-6th	Horse & Pony Practice, 6:00 PM, Main Arena
June 5th	Archery Practice, 6:30PM, Quonset Hut
June 7th	Archery Practice, 10:00AM, Quonset Hut
June 8th	Horse & Pony Clean Up Day, 2:00PM
June 9th	Horse & Pony Practice, 6:30PM Main Arena
June 10th	Rabbit Meeting, 7:00PM, Meeting Rooms
June 11th	Hurryin' Harrison Meeting, 6:30PM, Expo Hall
June 9th	Club Leader Meeting, 7:00PM, Meeting Rooms
June 12th	Archery Banquet, 6:00PM, Expo Hall
June 16th	Horse & Pony Practice, 6:00PM, Main Arena
June 17th	Poultry Blood Testing, 5:30PM, H-Barn
June 23rd	Horse & Pony Practice, 6:00PM, Main Arena
June 23rd	Poultry Blood Testing, 5:30PM, H-Barn
June 26th	Horse & Pony Clean Up, 6:00PM
June 29th	Alpaca/Llama Meeting, 4:00PM, H-Barn
June 30th	Horse & Pony Practice, 6:00PM, Main Arena
June 30th	Rabbit Meeting, 7:00PM, Cookshack

LIVESTOCK REQUIREMENTS – UPCOMING DEADLINES:

PREMISE ID:

4-H Livestock members with cattle, swine, sheep and goats need to have a Premise ID. This number is assigned to a farm location where your animals reside. If your farm does not have an ID, you can get one from the Indiana Board of Animal Health at 317-544-2381 or by email at animalid@boah.in.gov.

DNA HAIR SAMPLES:

All beef cattle, dairy beef, dairy feeder, dairy cattle, sheep, meat goats, and swine you may possibly want to exhibit at the Indiana State Fair must turn in DNA hair samples for each of those animals. DNA envelopes are available at the Wells County Extension Office. **Due to the Wells County Extension Office no later than 4:30PM on May 15th.**

4-H ONLINE ANIMAL ID:

With the exception of dogs, cats, and poultry, all animals you may exhibit at the Wells County 4-H Fair or Indiana State Fair must be identified in 4-H Online by May 15th. **Animals not identified in 4-H Online by May 15th with NOT be eligible to show at the Wells County or State Fairs.** All livestock exhibitors should have a premise ID - these can be obtained through the Indiana Board of Animal Health.

ANIMAL POSSESSION AGREEMENT:

The Animal Possession Agreement form should be filled out by all 4-H members whose animal projects do not reside on their property. **This form should be completed and turned in to the Purdue Extension - Wells County Office by May 15th.** Please note that this is a change from last year! If your animals reside on your property, or you filled out the animal leasing form, you do NOT need to fill out the Animal Possession Agreement form.

QLC/YQCA:

Exhibitors enrolled in the beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbit project must complete either QLC or YQCA by **July 1st**. In-person training costs \$3.00 per person and lasts approximately 1 hour. Trainings will be held in the Community Center at the 4-H Park. Register online at <https://v2.4honline.com>

Remaining QLC Trainings:	May 14th at 6:00PM	June 9th at 1:00PM
	June 9th at 10:00AM	June 9th at 5:30 PM

Those completing YQCA must turn in a copy of their certificates by July 1st - late submissions will **NOT** be accepted, no exceptions. You can drop certificates off to the Extension Office or email a PDF version to mksteele@purdue.edu

DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC:

Saturday, May 17th, 2024 at 10:30AM
Livestock Arena, Wells County 4-H
Fairgrounds



Join us at the Dairy Goat Showmanship Clinic
 conducted by Skylar Campbell.

Feel free to bring a goat for show area
 experience or join us by watching from the
 stands!

Please join us after the clinic - we will be
 grilling for lunch!

Questions? Please contact
 Dairy Goat Superintendent:
 Jen Kinyo
 260-701-3613



4-H ACADEMY:

4-H Academy at Purdue is a program held at Purdue University specifically designed to offer hands-on, exciting opportunities to learn about a diverse selection of subjects and careers. During this conference previously known as 4-H Science Workshops, participants will meet and learn from professors, graduated students and other experts in their respective fields and participate in interactive activities and experiential learning. Participants stay in a Purdue University Residence Hall for two nights while exploring the Purdue University campus and meeting 4-H members from across Indiana. 4-H Academy at Purdue is open to all youth grades 9-12th.

Registration Deadline: May 15, 2024

Cost: \$250.00 - Wells County 4-H Association sponsors \$125.00 of this trip - 4-Her covers the rest of the fee.

Available Workshops at 4-H Academy:
 Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Animal Science
 Unlock the Future w/ A.I.
 Heros of Change
 Digital Agriculture
 Food Science
 Creative Arts: Create Your Career
 Forensic Science
 Intro to Emergency Medical Services
 Natural Resources
 Plant Sciences
 Show Me the Money
 The Science of Flight
 Weather, Climate, and Disaster Readiness

4-H ROUND UP:

4-H Round Up is an exciting opportunity offered to youth who have completed grades 7, 8, and 9. Attendees have an opportunity to explore a variety of careers by attending classes created just for Round-Up attendees at Purdue University. Participants will get a taste of college life and will live in a Purdue Residence Hall for two nights. Youth have an opportunity to meet others from across the state and further develop their leadership skills. Recreation events are planned in the evenings and blocks of free time allow attendees the opportunity to build friendships on their own.

Registration Deadline: May 23, 2025

Cost: \$250.00 - if completed by May 9th
Cost \$275.00 - if completed May 10th - 16th
Cost \$300.00 - if completed May 17th - 23rd
Wells County 4-H Association sponsors \$125 of the fee. The 4-Her covers the rest.

There will be a variety of Career Exploration Workshops offered from the following Purdue departments:

College of Agriculture
 College of Engineering
 College of Health and Human Sciences
 Daniels School of Business
 Exploratory Studies
 Purdue Polytechnic Institute
 Purdue Extension
 Industry Partners

For more information, visit
<https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/get-involved/state-programs/round-up.html> or
 email Anya at aaulbach@purdue.edu

POULTRY TESTING:

Tuesday, June 17th
6:00PM
H-Barn, 4-H Park, Bluffton

Monday, June 23rd
6:00PM
H-Barn, 4-H Park, Bluffton

If the poultry originated directly from NPIP
 certified clean flock with one year they
 do not need to be tested (paperwork
 must be provided).

Waterfowl, pigeons, and doves do not
 need to be tested.



SWINE OPEN SHOW:

Save the date for the 2025 Wells County
 Classic - Swine Open Show! More details will be
 shared soon. Stay tuned!

Friday, May 23rd, 2025

Registration is from 1:00-3:00PM

Show will start at 4:00PM



4-H PROJECT SUPPLIES:

Looking to get started on your 4-H Projects? The Extension Office has some supplies for you to purchase! Supplies include foam poster boards, poster sleeves, electric kits, livestock books, and the 4-H Rulebook. Stop in during our office hours (8:00AM-4:30PM) to get what you need!

CALEY MEMORIAL AWARD:

The Caley Memorial Award is given annually to two 4-H members in Wells County who have shown outstanding qualities in the area of leadership, citizenship, sportsmanship, and personality in their community, school, church, and 4-H activities. Applicants must be at least 14 years of age to be eligible.

Applications can be picked up in the Purdue Extension Office starting May 15, and are due back by Friday, June 27, 2025.



You can read about the Caley Family here:
<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/20292168/william-samuel-caley>

10-YEAR MEMBER FORM:

We are so proud of your hard work and dedication towards the Wells County 4-H Program over the last 10 years!

There will be a presentation during the 4-H Fair to recognize all 10-year members! Recognition forms have been sent out to all 10-year members, but are also available in the Extension Office and online at www.extension.purdue.edu/wells.



Forms and pictures are due to the Extension Office by May 31st!

4-H AMBASSADORS:

Each year four candidates are selected to represent the Wells County 4-H Fair as Junior Ambassadors (2) and Senior Ambassadors (2). Ambassadors will assist the 4-H Association with 4-H events and at the Wells County 4-H Fair.

Junior Ambassador applicants must be in grades 7-9th, as of January 1, 2025.

Senior Ambassador applicants must be in grade 10 or above, as of January 1, 2025.

Applications can be picked up in the Purdue Extension Office starting May 15, and are due back by Friday, June 27, 2025.



TOWNSHIP CLUB MEETINGS:

Liberty Happy Go Lucky - May 17th @ 1:00-3:00PM
at the Liberty Center Community Church

Hurryin' Harrisons - Sunday, May 11th @ 6:30PM in the Expo Hall



JUNIOR LEADERS:

Monday, May 5th at 6:00PM
Mini 4-H to follow
Monday, June 2nd at 6:00PM
Mini 4-H to follow
Monday, June 30th at 3:30PM
Food booth set up and
Mini 4-H Night



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER MEETINGS:

4-H Association: Monday, May 19th @ 7:00PM in the Meeting Rooms

Club Leaders: Monday, June 9th @ 7:00PM in the Meeting Rooms



THANK YOU!

The 4-H Association would like to thank everyone for supporting the annual 4-H Benefit auction held on April 5th. Your support is very appreciated. If you are interested in joining the planning committee for next year, please contact Lee Ann Pease.

MINI 4-H:

Monday, May 5th at 7:00PM
(Expo Hall)
Project: Foods
Monday, June 2nd at 7:00PM
4-H Park
Project: Farm Animals



CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Congratulations to the following Wells County 4-Hers who have been awarded scholarships!

Hallie Mounsey
Kenzie Paxson
Caroline Ripperger
Hallie Mounsey
Ian Todd

Philip Gaier
Hana McClain
Cohen Miller
Zack Herrell
Tyler Grover

Derek Smith
Dane Schlagenhauf
Kenzie Paxson
Caroline Ripperger
Colter Kiel

Thank you to our scholarship sponsors who make this program possible!

Wells County 4-H Foundation
Wells County 4-H Association

Wells County 4-H Horse & Pony Club
Wells County 4-H Junior Leaders

