2004 EXPO UPDATE

Premium Book for 2004 will be available in early December. Printed copies will be available for pick up by Community Club Leaders, Project Leaders and FFA Advisors. This year it will also be available on an EXPO exclusive website @ www.4hffaexpo.org along with entry forms, Quality Assurance and Code of Ethics Forms, rules and department information that can be downloaded and printed off.

Proficiency Day and Prefair will not be offered this year by the EXPO Committee. The committee feels that there are enough other events offered throughout the county and the state in order for members to meet the requirement of attendance at a Judging/Proficiency Day. (Please see calendar on page 7 for event dates). In addition to those listed, the Groseta’s in the Verde Valley will be offering a Livestock Judging Day for anyone interested at the beginning of February. The Cottonwood Clovers will also be holding an event in March. If anyone else is interested in sponsoring a judging or proficiency day they should contact the 4-H office.

Superintendent’s Needed for Herdsman-ship and the Dog Show. Anyone interested should contact the 4-H office or Ray Robl, General Supt. for EXPO at 636-1038.

Large Livestock Market Animal Ear Tagging
Saturday, January 17, 2004 9:00 a.m.
Prescott Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds

Any 4-H/FFA member wishing to sell a STEER, LAMB, or GOAT at the 2004 EXPO must bring the animals to the Rodeo Grounds to be tagged, along with their ID’s, a copy of their bill of sale, signed Quality Assurance and Code of Ethics Forms.

4-H/FFA members selling SWINE are required to submit their ID’s, a copy of their bill of sale, signed Quality Assurance and Code of Ethics Forms BY MAIL, to be postmarked no later than January 17 to: Yavapai County Cooperative Extension PO Box 388 Prescott, AZ 86301

THERE WILL BE NO GRACE PERIOD!
Kevin’s Tips for Taking the Pain Out of Record Books
By Kevin Cox, Partridge Creek Cougars 4-H

I came across this when cleaning out some drawers and thought they were well worth repeating.

1. Set up a notebook just for keeping track of what you do in 4-H. Be organized—label the notebook pages so they correspond to the topics listed on each sheet in the Cumulative Record.

2. Every time you participate in a 4-H activity, list that on the appropriate page in your notebook. Note the date, what you did/exhibited/judged, any awards earned, and whether it was on the local, county, or state level.

3. Do the same thing for finances, listing each expense and income item. This will be important when it’s time to put your record book together.

4. Make notes throughout the year on things that meant a lot to you in 4-H. These will give you ideas that will help you when you start to write your 4-H Story. When you write your story, let your personality show through. The judges want to see you as a person—how you felt, what you learned, how 4-H has helped you grow that year.

5. When record book time rolls around, take out your notebook and transfer the information from each sheet to the appropriate page in the Cumulative Record. No more racking your brain to remember what you’ve done!

6. Take photos that show your involvement in your project.

7. Don’t forget to be neat. It really does make a difference.

8. Use the guidelines provided by the county, and assemble your record book in the exact order shown in the Cumulative Record.

9. Enjoy your 4-H year and relax! Doing your record book never has to be a pain again!

Thank You!

We had 100 Record Books submitted from throughout the county to be judged or critiqued. This would not have been possible without the help of the following leaders and volunteers:

Sandi Benson-Dewey Hotshots
Laura Castanos-Camp Verde Cowboys
Laury Castillos-Camp Verde Cowboys
Charlcie Gill-Partridge Creek Cougars
Donna Goodman-Cottonwood Clovers
Patti Marrs-Cornville Outlaws/Conquistadors
Bonnie North-Prescott Roughriders
Karen Reimann-Back in the Saddle
Ramona Sanders-Camp Verde Cowboys
Joyce Vaccaro-Silver Spurs
Corrine Walker-Hassayampa
Sarah Walker-Hassayampa

Winners will be announced at the Awards & Recognition Banquet on November 15. Record books can be picked up at that time or at either office starting November 17.

YAVAPAII COUNTY RECORD BOOK GUIDELINES FOR 2003-2004 ARE AVAILABLE IN BOTH OFFICES AND ONLINE AT AG.ARIZONA.EDU.YAVAPAII

Musicians Wanted

Shamrock Hustlers 4-H Club is offering a music/sound program for STRINGS and is inviting all interested 4-H’ers to come join them. If you are interested please contact Robin Fleck at 443-0943.
Horse Committee Corner

State Horse Show—Wow, what a show! The list isn’t out yet of all placings, but it was one to remember. First RAIN, buckets and buckets of it. Unfortunately it caused the cancellation of the roping events. State officials, leaders and parents are working to see what we can do about rescheduling. Yavapai County made a great showing of our talents and hard work. Congratulations to all members and a huge round of applause for all Top 10 winners.

Election of Officers—
Chair-Karen Reimann 636-3953
Vice Chair-Paula Levine 632-5771
Secretary-Marchelle Cometh 776-8567
Treasurer-Patti Marrs 649-3575
Show Secretary-Bonnie North 778-2150
Awards-Year End-Chris Hill 776-4116
- Show-Janice SanGiovanni- 649-3061

Next Horse Committee Meeting at
Denny’s in Camp Verde, November 12 @ 6:00 p.m. All horse leaders are encouraged to attend.

ANLS JUNIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Anyone interested in competing in this year’s Arizona National Junior Livestock Judging Contest needs to contact the 4-H office by December 1. The number of teams we can enter is determined by the number of 4-H members enrolled with large animal projects. Enrollment is still coming in as of the printing of this newsletter, however at minimum we are able to send at least 3 teams. In addition anyone who would like to participate as an individual may do so.

Cost per team is $10 and $5/individual. The actual contest will be held Wednesday, December 30 at the State Fairgrounds.

Horse Proficiency Day & Record Book Clinic
-Rain or Shine!
Saturday, November 22
Prescott Rodeo Grounds
10 a.m.

Leader’s contact Paula Levine @ 632-5771 with the number of members per proficiency level that will be attending. Riding patterns will only be done if weather allows.

Level 1 will not do their riding pattern at Proficiency Day. Please do not bring horses. We will provide horses necessary for the level. Members are to do their riding pattern with their leader.

Senior take charge of Level 1—All seniors are asked to help with Level 1. Contact Natasha Vaccaro @ 636-9455. We need horses for stations and test monitors.

Horse Judging at Proficiency Day— a volunteer (leader, parent, member) is needed to coordinate the horse judging, please contact Karen Reimann @ 636-3953 if interested.

Swap Meet—Bring your unused tack saddles, boots, show clothes, jeans, etc. to Proficiency Day. The Horse Committee is sponsoring a swap meet to raise money for the many activities and events that we sponsor throughout the year. We also want to help recycle items to other members. You may either donate your item or we will sell it for the price you wish plus a percentage to go to the Horse Committee. All items must be of useable and safe condition. All items not sold must be picked up by the owner at the end of the day or will be considered donated to the Horse Committee.

New Yavapai County Horse Record Book and Rule Books—Will be available from the County Extension Office or from Horse Committee Members. There will also be a record book clinic held during Proficiency Day.
STATE WIDE 4-H SMALL STOCK SHOW

We would like to announce and welcome Yavapai County 4-H as the newest partner in the Colorado River 4-H Small Stock Show. The 2004 Show will be held **Saturday & Sunday, Jan 17-18, 2004** at the Yavapai County Fairgrounds in Prescott Valley, AZ. The show is sponsored by 4-H Members & Leaders in LaPaz, Mohave and Yavapai counties.

This is the 15th year for this show, complete with judging and conformation classes in rabbits, poultry, waterfowl, pigeon and cavy.

Last year 160 4-H'ers from 8 counties and 3 states exhibited 737 animals. Featured is a Small Stock Quiz Bowl Contest complete with separate categories for rabbit, poultry, waterfowl, pigeon and cavy and a Round Robin Quiz Bowl contest following.

*Contact the 4-H Office for more information and entry forms or visit the website at:* www.ag.arizona.edu/4-h/smallshow.htm

Leader Certification

This is a reminder that all volunteers working directly with children must be certified. The primary purpose of certification is to conduct a youth development program that will provide a safe learning environment with volunteers who model appropriate behaviors.

**New volunteers** are required to fill out a **Volunteer Application Form. Copies were included in enrollment packets.** Upon receipt of the application by the Extension office a time convenient for both the applicant and the Instructional Specialist will be set in order to complete the certification process which includes:

- An Interview
- References (3 required)
- Review of the 4-H Volunteer Orientation Presentation and receive 4-H Volunteer Handbook
- Signed Behavior Guidelines

All new 4-project leaders must have completed the certification process by January 1, 2004. Certification is final when all of the above has been completed and three favorable references have been submitted and reviewed.

If you are a **returning leader** and have already been through the certification process you need to submit a completed **Annual Volunteer Leader Report Form by November 1, 2003.** A copy was included in your enrollment packet.

**Resource Volunteers** must have a Behavioral Guidelines and a Resource Volunteer Agreement on file.

Please contact the 4-H office for dates and times for Certification Appointments.

RIO SALADO SMALL STOCK SHOW

This show will be held Saturday, December 13, 2003 at the Nadaburg Elementary School in Wittman, Arizona. Showmanship classes offered for Cavy, Dog, Pigeon, Poultry, Pygmy Goat, and Rabbit. Breed judging for all species with the exception of the dogs.

Please contact the 4-H office for entry forms and additional information.
Awards & Recognition Banquet

Mark your calendars, for the **2002-2003 Yavapai County 4-H Awards and Recognition Banquet** hosted by the Back in the Saddle Club, to be held **November 15, 2003** at the **Outback Steakhouse in Prescott**. Lunch will be served at noon and is optional. Presentation of the awards and recognition will begin at 12:45 p.m. Cost for the luncheon will be $10 per person.

**RSVP by November 7th to either Extension Office.**

Awards will be presented in the following areas:
- Outstanding Senior Member
- Outstanding Junior Member for each project area where appropriate
- Leadership Development Award
- Outstanding Clover Kid
- Outstanding First Year Member Award
- Most Improved
- Special Achievement Award
- Outstanding Leader
- Friend of 4-H
- Horse Committee Awards

If you submitted a record book for judging this could be you!

My Apologies……..

I realize that there are several things that have already occurred that are mentioned in this newsletter. I am trying really hard to get ahead of the game so that future issues will have information for activities in advance. If you have something you would like posted in the newsletter the deadline is the 25th of each month.

Phoenix Suns 4-H Night Maricopa County Fund Raiser

Book your seats for Saturday, March 13, 2004 at America West Arena (AWA) when the Phoenix Suns host the Dallas Mavericks.

Tentative schedule of events to include:
- Meet at AWA outside concourse @ 4:30 p.m.
- Exclusive 4-H Group ONLY moves inside to court side
- 5:00 p.m. for 4-H Group opportunities:
  - Photo shoots
  - Autograph Signing
  - Suns and Maverick Players Warm-up
  - Subway Meal
  - Watch practice run through of Arizona 4-H members:
    - Performing color presentation
    - Performing Star Spangled Banner
    - Serving as “Ball Boys/Girls” Bench warmers, etc.

This special event will:
- Promote Arizona 4-H, it’s programs, members and families
- Offer fund raising opportunities for clubs and counties
- Offer unique once-in-a-lifetime opportunities for members, families and clubs
- Provide an opportunity for purchasing unique Christmas gifts/stocking stuffers, birthday gifts, sponsor/donor/buyer thank yous, achievement recognition awards
- Provide opportunities for 4-H families to participate in a non-competitive experience
- Provide discounted hotel rooms for families wishing to have a family fun weekend
- Provide scholarships and recognition for Maricopa County 4-H.

Cost is $25/ticket. For more information and order forms contact the 4-H office.
4-H/FFA EXPO COMMITTEE
Tuesday, December 2
6:30 p.m.
Cooperative Extension Office
500 So. Marina
Prescott, AZ

Tentative Agenda:
Call Meeting to Order
Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Treasurer’s Report
  Committee Reports
  Awards-Ken Vargha
Old Business
  Report on 2004 Premium Book
Postponed Business
  Develop 2004 Budget *
  Advertising Campaign 2004
  Facility Needs Proposal **
New Business
  Volunteer Needs by Area***
Adjournment

*Committee Officers, Chairs and Superintendents please come prepared with proposed dollar amounts for your respective areas for the budget.

**If you have any ideas or suggestions regarding proposed future facilities for use by EXPO at the Frontier Days Rodeo Grounds please contact Ray Robl at 636-1098.

***Committee Officers, Chairs and Superintendents start creating a list of proposed volunteer needs.

This meeting is open to all currently enrolled 4-H/FFA members, certified 4-H Volunteer Leaders, 4-H Resource Leaders and FFA Advisors who work with in Yavapai County. To have a voting right you must be actively serving on the EXPO or Sale Committee.

ODDS & ENDS

Diamond Equestrian Fall All Breed Horse Show to be held Sunday, November 2nd and Sunday, December 7th at 13424 W. Camelback Rd in Litchfield Park. For further information call 623-261-3469. A new series will start in January.

Tucson Poultry, Pigeon and Fancy Fowl Club 33rd Annual Winter Show to be held November 15-16. This is a great place to pick up a good quality bird for a project. Entry forms are available at the 4-H office.

LA Pageant of Pigeons in San Bernadino, CA at the Orange County Fairgrounds, November 20-23. It’s a long trip, but well worth it if you want to see many different kinds of pigeons. You will find some very good quality birds for your project. There is also a junior show for anyone interested in participating. Contact Wayne Johnson at 632-5708 for further information.

Arizona Pigeon Clubs holds their annual show, December 6 at the State Fairgrounds. This is another good place to pick up birds for a project. Contact Wayne Johnson at 632-5708 for further information.

Beck’s Club Pig Fall Sales will be held November 22 and December 13 at the Beck Farm in Cochise, Arizona off of Hwy 191 and Birch Rd. Preview starts at 10:00 a.m. and the Sale begins at 12:00 p.m. Bids start at $100. For further information contact Larry and Betsey Beck at 520-826-3386 (Home), 520-826-4039 (Farm), 520-508-3444 (Cellular) or at gohogwild@vtc.net.

Rabbit Hutch free to any interested 4-H member. Please contact the 4-H office.

Leather Craft Tools free to a club or member who is actively participating in the leather craft project. Please contact the 4-H office.
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Clay Bailey, Livestock Judging Team Coach at UofA, along with the UofA Livestock Judging Team, will be up to conduct a clinic on livestock judging and also how to give a set of reasons.

We are anticipating having 5-6 classes of livestock (cattle, sheep, hogs).