

4-H Clover Connection

4-H'ers Ready to Surf the Waves of Success

This year marks the 102nd time Oklahoma 4-H'ers have converged on the campus of Oklahoma State University for State 4-H Roundup. While 4-H Roundup has been steeped in tradition for more than a century, this event has changed and evolved to continue to meet the needs of club members.

State 4-H Roundup will take place July 26-28 and this year's theme is Surfing the Waves of Success in 4-H.

Cathy Allen, 4-H curriculum coordinator at the state 4-H office at OSU, said the 2023 agenda combines traditional 4-H Roundup activities with new offerings.

"Duds to Dazzle, an upcycling/recycling contest, garnered lots of interest in its inaugural appearance last year, so it's back on the schedule this year," Allen said. "We'll also host the State 4-H Food Showdown, and the winning team will compete on the national level at the Texas State Fair later this year."

Other activities and contests include FCS Skill-a-thon, Job Readiness, Livestock Quiz Bowl, Clover Bowl, tractor contest, communications contest, 4-H Has Talent and more. Club members will also have the opportunity to take part in various educational workshops and listen to motivational speakers Melvin Adams and Loka Pandaya.

In addition, Roundup delegates can participate in various tours around campus and Stillwater. Tours include OSU College of Veterinary Medicine, the Cleo L. Craig Child Development Lab, Kicker, OSU's Fire Protection and Safety Training, The Botanic Garden at OSU, university athletics facilities and Insect Adventure.

Dances are a highlight for many club members, but for those who aren't into bustin' a move on the dance floor, they can visit the new E-sports arena in the Student Union. This high-end computer lab features gaming computers with appropriate games that will be available to 4-H'ers.

"E-sports is a way for youth to compete using video games and has become quite popular," said Kelly Wardlaw, assistant OSU Extension specialist for STEM activities. "Competition has long been a part of the 4-H culture, and this provides yet another outlet for our youth."

Also available during the dance will be bingo and a hypnotist.

In an effort to familiarize 4-H'ers with what OSU offers academically, the various academic departments will set up informational booths at Pete's Luau. Youth can learn about the different colleges at OSU and various degrees offered.

In keeping with tradition, the state 4-H record book and scholarship winners, along with National Congress delegates, Blue Award Group and the new Oklahoma 4-H Hall of Fame inductees will be recognized at the Honor Night Banquet. Club members will walk away with more than \$100,000 in scholarships thanks to the generosity of many donors.

The culmination of the 102nd State 4-H Roundup will be the announcement of the 2023-2024 state officer team.

All 4-H Roundup delegates receive a t-shirt with the logo printed on it. For those who wish to purchase other merchandise with the logo, such as a long-sleeve t-shirt or cap, orders can be placed with Stillwater Screen Printing. All items will be shipped directly to the 4-H'er. Order forms will be released in July.

Blaine County has eight youth and two adult volunteers that will be attending.

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at "Blaine County OSU Extension"

TRI-COUNTY 4-H CAMP

JUNE 28, 29 & 30 RSVP by Thursday, June 1

Camp will be at the NW Baptist Campgrounds near Vici. *JAMMIN' IN THE JUNGLE!* is our theme this year.

We will begin at 2:00p.m. on Wednesday and end at 11:00a.m. on Friday. Registration forms were mailed to all members, are at the OSU Extension Center, and on our Facebook page.

Summer Workshop Days

Tuesday, June 20- Blaine Co. Fairgrounds and

Friday, July 21- Major Co. Fairgrounds 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. tentative

You can take part in these workshops days by both presenting one and participating in them. These are great opportunities for leadership within your projects and a way to get some fair projects to enter. See the signup sheet with this letter with details.

Tulsa State Fair Nomination and Entry Dates

June 1: Nomination Kits Go on Sale Online June 23: Nomination Kit Shipment Deadline July 1: Nomination Deadline for Market Steers, Barrows, Lambs, Goats, and Breeding Commercial Ewes, Gilts, Does, Commercial Heifers

August 1: Livestock & Horse Show Entries Open August 25: Livestock & Horse Show Entries Close Information can also be found on our website: www.extension.okstate.edu/county/blaine

4-H Discovery Day Friday, July 7 Woodward County Fairgrounds

A great opportunity to come and learn about different projects/activities that might be of interest to you! 4-H members will participate in three different workshop sessions.

Topics are Wildlife, STEM with Insects, Photography, Spherobot, Paper Circuitry, Duds to Dazzle, Leather Craft, Shooting Sports, Food and Nutrition, Art, Babysitting 101, Drones, and Rocketry.

The registration fee is \$30 per person. We will begin each day with orientation from 9:00- 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be provided.

Registration is due no later than June 8th to the Blaine County OSU Extension Center. We can email you a registration form or you can find one on our Facebook page.



Tractor and Machinery Operators Certification Program

2023 dates: Tuesday, June 6 and Thursday, June 8

This will be held at the Woods County Fairgrounds in Alva both days from 8:30a.m. to 4:30p.m. at a cost of \$40 per person. This program is designed to meet labor requirements for 14- and 15-year-old youth; however, all ages can attend.

Call the OSU Extension Center to register now.

Fashion Revue and Impressive Dress Contests

These contests have been scheduled for Monday, July 17 at 2:00p.m at the Major County Fairgrounds in Fairview. The entry deadline will be Monday July 10. This is for both Major and Blaine Counties.

Full details on guidelines for both contests will be available at the OSU Extension Center after June 1.

State 4-H & FFA Wheat Show

The State 4-H & FFA Wheat Show is set for July 18 at the Payne County Fairgrounds in Stillwater.

- If you planted at least five acres of wheat this year you can enter the show. You will need a clean ten pounds sample from your harvest.
- Full details for the contest can be found on the Oklahoma Wheat Commission website.

2023 BLAINE COUNTY FAIR

Dates are set as August 17, 18 & 19. Watch for more details to come.

<u>Please note:</u> 4-H & FFA members wishing to participate in the 2024 Bonus Auction must either exhibit livestock, *or* compete in the livestock judging contest, *or* participate in the tractor driving contest, *or* have at least two non-livestock exhibits in the Foley Building in whichever organization (4-H or FFA) they are a member of during the 2023 County Fair.

Pie Making Workshop

Thursday, August 3 - 1:00 -5:00 p.m.

Major County Fairgrounds in Fairview

\$15 fee per person

register by July 27 at the OSU Extension Center

(for both youth and adults)

County 4-H Recordbooks due July 6

We hope you are working on your County 4-H Recordbooks. The deadline has been changed to Thursday, July 6. If you need assistant, please contact us at the OSU Extension Center, Dana would be happy to help.

Also, the annual Recordbook Reward Trip has been scheduled for Friday, August 4th.

ADULT AND TEEN LEADERS MEETINGS

Adult Leaders will meet on Thursday, July 6 at 6:30p.m. at the Roman Nose swimming pool to judge recordbooks.

Teen Leaders will also meet on Thursday, July 6 at the Roman Nose swimming pool. Swim time will be 5-7:00p.m. then we will meet to elect new county officers that will be installed at the County Achievement Program on August 1st.



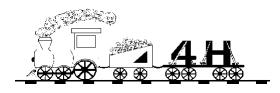
Adopt a Night at the Oklahoma State Fair

There are a couple of opportunities at the 2023 Oklahoma State Fair for counties or clubs to showcase members and project work. Fair dates are September 14 to 24.

- •Adopt a Night at the Oklahoma State Fairinteractive booths in the 4-H section of
 Oklahoma Expo Hall. This opportunity gives one
 county per night of the State Fair tables and time
 from 4-9pm or 4-10pm (depending on the night)
 to share 4-H projects, 4-H live action, and
 opportunities in 4-H to the general public.
- •Interactive Booths are also available during peak hours at Oklahoma Expo Hall. Interactive booths provide a club or groups a table and 2 hours' worth of time during the Oklahoma State Fair. Dates available for Interactive Booths are September 16, 17, 23, 24. Times all days are 11:00am-1:00pm, 1:00-3:00pm, and 3:00-5:00pm.

Contact us for more information.

Blaine County 4-H Activity Calendar



June 2023

2 & 3- West District (north region) Horse Shows

6 & 8- Tractor and Machinery Operators Course in Alva

9- District 4-H Culinary Day

12-4-H Camp Counselors Training

20- Summer 4-H Workshops

23 & 24- State 4-H Volunteer Conference

28 to 30- 4-H Camp

July 2023

6- County 4-H Record Books due/Leaders Meeting (recordbook judging)/Teen Leaders Meeting with County Officer Elections

7- District 4-H Discovery Day

13 to 15- State 4-H Horse Show

17- Fashion Revue and Impressive Dress Contests

18 to 20- Big 3 Field Days

21-Summer 4-H Workshops

26 to 28- State 4-H Roundup

August 2023

1- County 4-H Achievement Program

3- Pie Making Workshop

4- Recordbook Reward Trip

17 to 19- Blaine County Fair

September 2023

14 to 24- State Fair of Oklahoma

28 to October 8- Tulsa State Fair

October 2023

1 to 7- National 4-H Week

11 to 13-West District Youth Action Conference

November 2023

TBA-Leaders Meeting

December 2023

2- Holiday Bazaar

4-H Summer Workshops 2023

(at the county fairgrounds)

-This form is due to OSU Extension Center by June 9th-

Yes, I will lead a workshop on:Tuesday, June 20 in Watonga
Friday, July 21 in Fairview
Preferred time: 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.
12:30 p.m 1:30 p.m.
Name of workshop presenter(s):
Phone Number & Email Address:
Workshop title:
Minimum number of participants: Maximum number of participants:
Workshops will need to last approximately one hour and should be fair project related so tha finished items can be entered in the county fair. Costs of materials will be reimbursed.
Once a list of workshops has been compiled it will be sent to all members for registration.

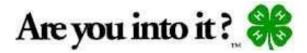




Lunch will be provided at the workshops. Thank you for your willingness to help!







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