



Happy Valentine's, Dear!

February 2022 La Salle Co. 4-H Newsletter



La Salle County 4-H February Meetings:

Encinal 4-H Meeting: February 9, 2022, at 7 pm-Community Center

Cotulla 4-H Meeting: February 14, 2022, at 7 pm-Extension Office



4-H Reminders/Updates

State 4-H Shooting Postal League Contest: We will be shooting for this event in county. The date will be announced at a later time. Location will be at the American Legion, 5 pm.

Broiler Entry Forms DUE: All Broiler entry forms are due on Friday, February 4, 2022 by 5 pm to the Extension Office. These were asked to be turned in on the day of the broiler delivery but can still be turned in by Feb. 4th. Please contact our office if you need an extra copy of the entry form.

Encinal 4-H Meeting: Encinal's 4-H meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 7 pm-Community Center. Remember to bring your Valentines Day goodies that you signed up for. For those short on meetings, items donated will go towards another meeting. We will be putting together the Valentines Day bags at this meeting to donate to the nutrition center individuals.

Cotulla 4-H Meeting: Cotulla's 4-H meeting will be held on Monday, February 14, 2022 at 7pm-Extension Office. Officer election for the 2022-2023 year will take place during this time. We ask that all members are present to vote during this time.

Scale usage: If you are needing to weigh your animals, please contact the extension office. We will be able to make those available for you

Clipper usage: If you are needing to borrow the clippers for our upcoming show, please contact the extension office to schedule a check out time

End of the 4th 6 Weeks: The end of the 4th 6 weeks is February 18, 2022. All 4-Hers will need to be passing during this time to be eligible to show at the La Salle County Junior Livestock Show.

Office Closed: The Extension Office will be closed on February 21, 2022 for Presidents Day.

Photography Workshop: February 22, 2022 at 6 pm- Extension Office. See flier for more details!





La Salle County Junior Livestock Show Schednel

2022 LaSalle County Junior Livestock Show

SHOW SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

5:00pm Unloading of animals begins (optional)

Thursday, March 10, 2022

All animals must be unloaded and in assigned pens by 9:00am

9:00am Weighing and Sifting of Market Animals begins

9:00am Judging of Commercial Heifer Record Books

Judging of Commercial Heifer pens immediately following Record Book judging

10:00am Commercial Heifer Interviews

1:00pm Results of Commercial Heifer Show announced

Market Show to begin immediately following Commercial Heifer Results Announcement

Show Order for Market Animals

Broilers

Swine

5:00pm – 7:00pm Releasing of Market Swine and Broilers (except for the Grand and Reserve Champion Swine, Broiler, and Commercial Heifer projects)

Friday, March 11, 2022

9:00am Judging of Ag Mech (Shop) projects

10:00am Market Goat Show begins

1:00pm Results of Ag Mech (Shop) Projects announced

1:15pm Begin Cattle show

Heifers

Market Steers

5:00pm – 7:00pm Releasing of Market Goats, Market Steers, and Heifers

(Grand and Reserve Champion Goats and Steers need to remain on grounds)

8:00pm All animals (except for Grand and Reserve Champions) need to be out of the barn

Saturday, March 12, 2022

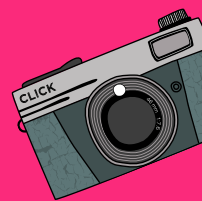
1:30pm Buyer's Reception and Awards Presentation begins

2:00pm Livestock Auction Begins

*Hard Copies will be handed out at
our February 4-H Meetings*



Photography Workshop



Come join us on *Tuesday, Feb. 22nd*
at 6 pm - **EXTENSION OFFICE**
for our *Photography Workshop!*



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LA SALLE COUNTY TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

4-H PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

This workshop is open to any 4-H member that is interest in photography. Our District Photography Contest is coming up! We will cover the registration process, rules of the contest, categories, tricks and tips to be successful. For more info prior to the event, please call the extension office at 830-483-5165.

Guest Speaker: Alicia Zamudio

WHEN: FEBRUARY 22, 2022 AT 6 PM
WHERE: AGRILIFE EXTENSION OFFICE-
119 S. FRONT ST

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for this meeting. We request that you contact the La Salle County Extension Service eight days (8) prior to the event at 830-483-5165 or as soon as possible to advise us of the auxiliary aid or service that you require.

Stock Show Tips

STOCK SHOW TIP

Create a binder or folder that will keep all of your papers organized.

Some important documents to have:

- Registration papers
- Health certificates
- Show rules
- Schedules
- Copies of entry forms

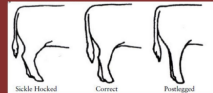
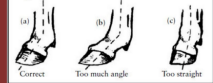


Breeding Heifers

Structural Correctness

- Take note of the hock and hoof placement when the heifer is both in motion and at rest
- Possess a forty-five degree angle set to the front and rear pasterns
- The heifer should be strong when her foot hits the ground and refrain from rolling her hocks inward or outward as she shifts her weight from leg to leg

Fig. 4 – Foot and Pastern Structure



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HOOF ROT

CATTLE HEALTH

WHAT?

An infection caused by bacteria in the ground that enters the hoof through puncture wounds or continuous exposure to wet conditions

SIGNS?

- Lameness
- Foul odor coming from hoof
- Swelling of interdigital space

TREATMENT?

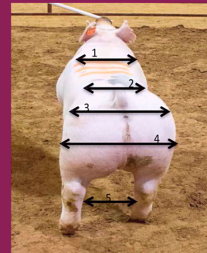
- An iodine spray (early stages)
- A topical treatment
- Try to keep animal in dry area



Consult with a veterinarian for recommendations on an antimicrobial therapy treatment program for cases of hoof rot that need special attention when an animal has become severely lame

Muscle Evaluation

Market Hogs



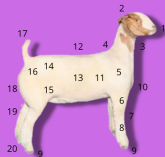
Muscle Indicators:

Rear/Top View

1. Width behind shoulder
2. Width and fullness of loin
3. Width of hip
4. Width from stifle to stifle
5. Base width

Parts of Livestock

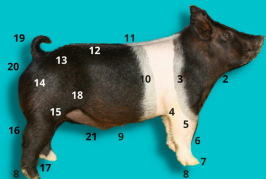
Parts of a Goat



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| 1. Muzzle | 6. Forearm | 11. Heart Girth | 16. Pin Bone |
| 2. Poll | 7. Knee | 12. Back | 17. Tail |
| 3. Neck | 8. Cannon Bone | 13. Ribs | 18. Twist |
| 4. Withers | 9. Hoof | 14. Hip | 19. Hock |
| 5. Shoulder | 10. Brisket | 15. Stifle | 20. Pastern |

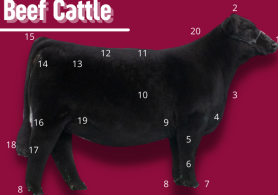


PARTS OF A PIG

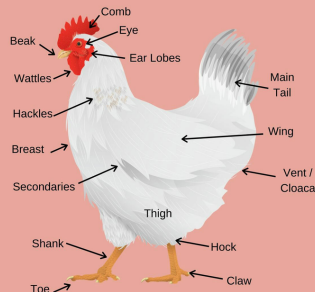


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|-------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Snout | 6. Knee | 11. Topline | 16. Hock | 21. Sheath (Barrow) |
| 2. Jaw | 7. Foot | 12. Loin | 17. Pastern | |
| 3. Shoulder/Blade | 8. Dewclaw | 13. Rump | 18. Rear Flank | |
| 4. Elbow | 9. Underline | 14. Ham | 19. Tail | |
| 5. Forearm | 10. Rib | 15. Stifle | 20. Vulva (Gilt) | |

Parts of Beef Cattle



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| 1. Muzzle | 6. Cannon | 11. Back | 16. Stifle |
| 2. Poll | 7. Hoof | 12. Loin | 17. Hock |
| 3. Dewlap | 8. Dewclaw | 13. Hip or hook bone | 18. Switch |
| 4. Brisket | 9. Fore Flank | 14. Pin bone | 19. Rear Flank |
| 5. Forearm | 10. Ribs | 15. Tail Head | 20. Crest |





NEW

Virtual TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN FISHING SKILL-A-THON 2022

Program Highlights

- Register individually as 4-H youth (grades 5-12) or "Clover Kid" (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com/> beginning February 1st
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Prizes to be listed January 2022
- New educational programs and fishing contests
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app) Rules to be released January 18 at <https://v54-h.tamu.edu/>

Species Divisions

- Saltwater - Trout, Sheepshead & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Crappie & Catfish

More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 5 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fee

- \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)

Questions?

- Contact Jheal-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at jmcswain@agg.tamu.edu

Swine Tournament

Register: February 1 - 28, 2022
Rch: March 1 at 12:00 pm thru
May 31 at 11:59 pm

Summer Tournament

Register: May 1 - 31, 2022
Fish: June 1 at 12:00 pm thru
August 31 at 11:59 pm



The members of Texas 4-H will provide equal opportunities to programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity and will not be subject to any form of discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

We are excited to release the 2022 Texas 4-H Virtual Reel 'em in Skill-a-thon Rules of Play! Registration will open via 4HOnline on February 1st as will access to FishDonkey.

New and exciting changes for 2022:

- We have partnered with FishDonkey app to use their official tournament judging program to assist in making this skill-a-thon more user friendly and to provide youth a realistic tournament experience (use of Facebook platform will no longer be utilized to post fish pics and for judging).
- Real-time leaderboards.
- More sponsors and more to be added in the near future.
- Addition of a Saltwater division.
- New educational components to learn about 4-H sportfishing, cooking healthy with fish, and techniques to hook the "big one."

Texas 4-H Updates

4-H HUNTING PROJECT COACH CERTIFICATION TRAINING

FEBRUARY 26-27
CENTER, TX - SHELBY COUNTY

Registration Fee - \$150; includes some meals and educational materials.

Training runs from 9:00am Saturday, into the evening and continues Sunday morning to approximately 3:00pm.

Register on 4HOnline

Registration open to adult 4-H volunteers, Senior division 4-H members, and County Extension Agents.



Registration opens:
January 3

Contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu with questions



Funded by a Southern Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Professional Development Program grant, AgriLogic Consulting, LLC in cooperation with Texas Beekeepers Association (TBA), the Texas Apiary Inspection Service (TAIS), Texas AgriLife Extension Service (TAES) and several Master Beekeepers have compiled this website resource in an attempt to transfer the wealth of knowledge and wisdom that currently exists within the beekeeping community itself, into a basic understanding and education of apiculture to beginning beekeepers of all ages and those who may wish to lead and guide them.

The website and its content is intended to be used by both the educators as well as those seeking to learn. The target audiences for this grant project were (1) agricultural extension agents serving the 254 Texas counties; (2) 4-H extension agents/FFA sponsors wishing to offer beekeeping contests, clinics or competition options to their youth; and (3) existing beekeepers wishing to serve as mentors to youth and new beekeepers.

We hope that you will find the site to be fun, easy to navigate, useful and most of all informative as you begin your beekeeping journey or help someone else begin theirs! The website is available free of charge and can be accessed at <http://www.texasbeekeeping101.com/>. All county offices, clubs, etc. are welcome to include a link to this website on their existing websites as deemed applicable.

Texas Beekeeping 101

Your Resource for Raising Honey Bees in Texas





February 4-11 Birthdays

Christopher Chavez: 2/27

Destyn Miranda: 2/3

Jorge Nieto III: 2/7

Sareen Ramirez: 2/20



**La Salle County Extension Office will be closed on Monday,
February 21, 2022 for Presidents Day**

**"I say luck is when an opportunity comes along and you're prepared for it."
-Denzel Washington**

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