

Happy Friday 4-H Families,

Please see the announcements below. Email blasts can also be found on the [4- H Calendar and Updates](#) page on the El Paso County, CSU Extension Website. Scroll down and find them by date.

Important Deadlines

June 1: MQA Certification Deadline-Required to participate in fair!

Members in the following projects: **ALL** rabbit, poultry projects as well as breeding and market: cattle, swine, sheep and goat (This includes **ALL** goat: dairy, fiber, pygmy, etc.)

All resources to complete MQA Certification online can be found [here](#).

Members must:

1. Review the presentation and take the test until they receive a passing score
2. Fill and complete the MQA Certification form and email to Emily.Tobler@colostate.edu

May 22: Payment for Goat and Sheep Tag-in Due

This is a reminder that payment for Goat and Sheep tag-in must be postmarked by **today**. For more details regarding tag in please refer to Emily Tobler's 5/21 email

Announcements

Superintendent Project Meetings: Pre-registration required

The following project meetings will be hosted by 2020 El Paso County Fair Superintendents. These meetings are meant to give 4-Hers the opportunity to ask for guidance about their project areas such as nutrition, fitting, what should they bring to fair, bracing, driving, do I need to turn in paperwork for the sale, etc.

Goat Project Meeting

When: May 22, 2020 7pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJkfujsqjliEtfveLciJckxO80ESzZt5Baq>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Swine Project Meeting

When: May 28, 2020 7pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMocuutpzsoH9JFCAb1ztWINJMVOyyRApTU>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Sheep Project Meeting

When: May 29, 2020 7pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJModOGhrj8uHtGk_rNVH_9yXAEJ38aJIYXM

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

May 31: New Information-County Shoot Registration

With the current best safety practices and restrictions, members will be limited to **one discipline per competition**. For example, if a 4-Her is enrolled in both Archery and Air Rifle disciplines, that member must pick only one discipline to enter for competition. **Sporting Clays is not available this year**. Choose either Trap or Skeet, not both, **One entry only, per competition day**. This adjustment will allow all members the chance to participate in a competition and will hopefully encourage mastery over one area. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we explore and develop plans to keep us moving forward and safe!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me: (719) 229-9644

Thanks!

-James Irsik, 2020 Shooting Sports Competition Superintendent

Important links:

- [El Paso County Shooting Sports Additional T-Shirt Order Form](#)
- **[Competition Entry Form](#)**: Due by **May 31**. **We will accept fees at Competition.** No Late entries will be accepted and no changes to the entry will be made after it is submitted. E-mail form to: epc.shootingsports@gmail.com.

Month of May: Share your demos with the Virtual 4-H Team!

4-H members, share your demos and speeches! The virtual team is wanting to highlight projects around the county. During the month of May, we are hosting a friendly, club competition! The first club to have 5 demos or speeches, following the state guidelines, shared with us will be recognized at our annual awards banquet!

Get those speeches and demos!

Instructions for upload can be found here: <https://elpaso.extension.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/44/2020/05/Video-Upload-Instructions-.pdf>

June 1-22: Fair Registration will open in Fair Entry

During this time frame only entry registration will be required

June 20-21: Clinic to Replace Dog Shows: pre-registration required!!

Hi 4-H dog members,

I hope everyone is doing well. The dog superintendents are busy trying to get things put in place to safely start working with you and your dogs again!! We will hold a clinic instead of a dog show since our members have not been able to get the support they need to learn necessary skills. There is more information below on how we plan to start up so you can make an informed decision to see if this works for you and your family. For the **June dog show (June 20th- 21st)** the dog superintendents are proposing the following:

- We would like to have pre-sign up and schedule times for the kids to come with 1 parent and their dog to work on skills in the areas of showmanship, obedience and Rally.
- We will have 3 clinicians and 1 person for crowd control.
- The kids will be rotating every 15 minutes between the 3 disciplines, after they finish the last rotation they will leave, and the next scheduled group will be let in.
- With 3 clinicians, a person for crowd control, 3 kids and 3 parents, that makes 10 people at one time in the Whitemore building.
- Agility practices will work the same way but we will not need to rotate between disciplines and practices will be held in the Christie's arena as usual.

Everyone will be spread out at least 6 feet apart to practice social distancing and masks will be worn if possible (**please bring your own mask**). Bathrooms will be available for hand washing and sanitizer will be available. There will be no crating in the building so if you have more than 1 dog please be set up to crate out of your car safely.

Please contact Alicia Christie at allnatural74@gmail.com to pre-register for this event.

Thank you, guys!

-Alicia Christie, 2020 El Paso County Fair 4-H Dog Superintendent

Have a great weekend,

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