

4-H Animal Lines

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*"Life's fields will yield as we make it –
a harvest of thorns or of flowers."*

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DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

May 11	-First Cut Lamb Sale, Hinds Community College, Raymond, 1:00 p.m.
May 25	-MS Sheep Producers Club Lamb Sale, Jackson, 12:00 Noon
May 30	-Dairy Products Judging Workshop – MSU
June 1	-Deadline for entries for District 4-H Horse Shows & State Only Classes
June 1	-Dixieland All-Breeds Dairy Heifer Sale, Pontotoc, 12:00 Noon
June 3-4	-Richard Shrake 4-H Horse Clinic – Tunica
June 4-6	-State 4-H Club Congress, MSU
June 5-6	-Richard Shrake 4-H Horse Clinic - MSU
June 7	-LA/MS Dairy Heifer Sale, Pike County Fairgrounds, 7:00 p.m.
June 7-8	-Richard Shrake 4-H Horse Clinic – Brookhaven
June 7-8	-Southeastern Regional Jr. Hereford Show – Tunica
June 9-10	-Richard Shrake 4-H Horse Clinic – Hattiesburg
June 11-14	-District 4-H Achievement Days
June 14-15	-4-H Lamb Camp – Monticello
June 17-19	-Making Tracks 2002 - MSU
June 25	-4-H Horse Judging Workshop – Jackson
June 28	-Entries due for State 4-H Horse Judging, Hippology, Individual Visual Presentation Contest, Team Demonstration Contest, Public Speaking and Horse Bowl
July 11-13	-District 4-H Horse Shows – Holly Springs, Greenwood, Jackson, Meridian
July 16-20	-State 4-H Horse Show

► **SOURCES OF PROJECT ANIMALS**

Many sales are coming up soon that would be good sources of project animals. We will keep you informed on dates, locations, etc. of sales. The following are sales already announced.

May 11 First Cut Lamb Sale
5:00 p.m. Hinds Community College, Raymond, MS
Tom Strickland, 601/961-4000

May 25 Mississippi Sheep Producers Club Lamb Sale
12:00 Noon This sale will be held at the Fairgrounds in Jackson, MS. This will be one of your best sources for project lambs. Mark this date on your calendar. These lambs will work for the 2002 State Fair in October and the 2003 spring shows next February. There will be approximately 80 lambs (all breeds and crosses) in this sale. Contact Cody Dean (662/464-8822) or Roy Higdon (601/776-3837) for more information

June 1 Dixieland All Breeds Dairy Heifer Sale
12:00 Noon This sale will be held at the Pontotoc Fairgrounds in Pontotoc. This will also be an excellent source of project animals for the upcoming shows. Contact Sherry Thompson (662/489-3910) for more information.

June 7 LA/MS Dairy Heifer Sale
7:00 p.m. This sale will be held at the Pike County Fairgrounds in Magnolia, MS. This will also be an excellent source of dairy heifers for the fall shows and the 2003 spring shows. Contact Wesley Farmer (601/835-3460) for more information.

► **DISTRICT 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAYS AND 4-H CLUB CONGRESS**

4-H district and state contests are just around the corner. Contests in the 4-H animal and dairy sciences area are Visual Presentations for juniors (two divisions included [1] beef, sheep, swine, and market goats and [2] dairy animals and dairy products) and seniors (four divisions [1] beef; [2] sheep, swine, and market goats; [3] dairy animals; and [4] dairy products). Other contests available are meats judging & identification contest, meats bowl, and dairy bowl for senior members and dairy products judging for juniors and seniors.

Meats judging & identification contest winning team will win a national trip to the Western National Livestock Exposition in Denver in early January 2003. The state winning dairy bowl team will receive a national trip to the Eastern National Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY, in November 2002.

If we can provide you with information about these contests, please let me know.

► **4-H DAIRY POSTER CONTEST**

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The theme for the 2002 Dairy Poster Contest is "**Got ^ Milk?**". Publication 799 contains all the information about this contest and it can be obtained from Extension Supply by electronic publications ordering from Department A9 (Dairy). Your county winners in the three age divisions are to be delivered to the Bost Extension Center "B" on Tuesday, June 4th, the first day of State 4-H Club Congress for judging in the state contest. The deadline will be 11:30 a.m. First, second and third place winners in each division will receive excellent awards. Good Luck!

▶ **4-H DAIRY PRODUCTS JUDGING WORKSHOP**

Ms Julie Wilson has graciously agreed to conduct a 4-H Dairy Products Judging Workshop on Thursday, May 30, 2002, in the Ammerman-Hernsberger Building on the MSU campus beginning at 10:00 a.m. If you have 4-Hers that plan to participate in either the district contest or club congress, this would be an excellent training for them. This training is for 4-Hers, volunteers, parents and agents. **Please let Gale Chrestman know by May 24, 2002, if your county plans to participate and how many will be attending.**

▶ **4-H DAIRY BOWL**

The Senior Dairy Bowl Contest will be held on Wednesday, June 25, 2002, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at 4-H Club Congress. Questions for this contest will come from the Youth Quiz sections that *Hoards* have on line. To access these questions, go to www.hoards.com. When you get there look under Special Features and click on Youth quiz. The questions will be taken from 1998-2002.

▶ **4-H LAMB CAMP**

Lawrence County Extension Service will host a 4-H Lamb Camp on June 14th & 15th. Contact Jon Kilgore at (601) 587-2271 for additional information.

Youth will bring their lambs and enjoy instructions by Mr. J.B. Massey. The cost for the camp is \$175.00. Registration is limited to the first twenty participants.

▶ **MSU LIVESTOCK JUDGING WORKSHOP & ORAL REASONS CAMP**

The Animal and Dairy Sciences Department will again be conducting Livestock Judging & Oral Reasons Camps for those students involved with judging team activities. This will be a very intensive 3½ day camp with session held all day and each evening. The schools will be conducted by Tommy Shields, MSU Livestock Judging Team Coach, with assistance from current judging team members.

The camp will start on Tuesday, June 11, at 10:00 a.m. and conclude with a contest on Friday morning, June 14, finishing at noon. The cost for the school will be \$150.00 for participating youth which includes room, meals, tee-shirt, and pizza party. The students will stay in a dorm with meals in the cafeteria. The students will need to bring bedding and towels. We would also like to invite any interested Ag teachers or County Agents to attend for a charge of \$100.00.

This will be a working school, but also provides interaction with MSU staff members and students and other 4-H and FFA members . . . a great opportunity for those wanting to become competitive in judging contests and improve upon their communication skills. Alert your judging team members about this workshop. The school will be limited to the first 30 applications - - at least 14 years of age and still in school. Registration forms are due May 24, 2002. We will send more details to you once the registration form is received. If you did not receive a registration form sent out in April, please call 662/325-2802.

▶ **4-H HORSE JUDGING WORKSHOP**

A statewide 4-H horse judging workshop will be held June 25, 2002, at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds. The workshop will begin at 9:00 a.m. and should conclude around 3:30 p.m. The workshop will be held in the judging arena or the Expo Center.

There will be a \$3.00 per person registration fee to help cover the expenses of the workshop. You do not have to pre-register.

Topics to be covered will be halter (stock type and Arabian), Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Reining, Western Riding, and give oral reasons. This will be an excellent opportunity for your 4-H'ers that are preparing for the district and state contests.

▶ **4-H CONTEST AT STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW**

Entries for the state 4-H contests in horse judging, horse bowl, individual demonstration, team demonstration, public speaking, and hippology are due June 28, 2002. Please refer to my e-mail that was sent on April 25, 2002, for entering these contests. First place winners in all these senior contests will participate in the Western National 4-H Round-Up in Denver, CO.

▶ **NOTICE!!! DRESSAGE PATTERN FOR STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW**

We will use Training Level, Test 3 at the State 4-H Horse Show and Southern Regional. Alert your exhibitors!

▶ **SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL JUNIOR HEREFORD SHOW**

The 2002 Southeastern Regional Junior Hereford Show will be held June 7 & 8 at the Paul Battle Exposition Center in Tunica, MS. Entry deadline is May 1st. \$20,000 in premiums will be awarded at this show. Classes will include showmanship, bred and owned heifers, owned heifers, bulls and cow-calf pairs. For additional information contact Cheryl Evans at (662)283-3337 or Bill Darnell at (662)356-6860. See attached flyer for schedule of events.

Sincerely,

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