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THE 4-H TIMES

RAINS 4-H CLUB

JANUARY 2021

MARCH 4-H CLUB MEETING

The March 4-H Club Meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 25, 2021** at 6:00 P.M. at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension & Conference Center on Highway 276 in Emory. All attendees are required to wear a face mask. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not provide snacks.

OFFICER ELECTIONS - 2021 - 2022

Please sign up by **March 26, 2021** if you are interested in running for an Officer position.

Officers for the 2021 - 2022 Rains 4-H Club will be elected at the April 22nd 4-H Meeting.

There will be two sets of Officers selected - **SENIOR** and **JUNIOR** Officers.

4-H MEMBER ENROLLMENT FORMS AND EXHIBITOR SIGN-UP FORMS - 2021 - 2022

The 2021-2022 Enrollment Forms and Exhibitor Sign-Up Forms will be found at our website online within the next two weeks and are also available at our office. If you are showing an animal at the Rains County Junior Livestock Show, you are requested to complete the entire enrollment form, which must be signed by the 4-H member and the parent/guardian in several areas. Also, please complete the Sign-Up form which will be provided online and return all forms and the **\$25.00 membership dues** (per child) to our office by **MAY 3, 2021**.

If you complete the forms online, you will have the ability to send them directly to the office.

ARCHERY PROJECT / SHOTGUN PROJECT

The Archery Project will meet on consecutive Wednesdays from 4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. (weather permitting) through April 21, 2021 (except **March 10**, which is Spring Break). Parents are requested to pick their children up promptly at 5:00 P.M.

The Shotgun Project sessions will be held March 20, March 27, April 3 and April 24 from 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. Directions to the range will be provided to those that signed up.

RAINS COUNTY ROUNDUP

The Rains 4-H Club County Roundup will be held on **Saturday, March 20, 2021** at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension & Conference Center.

The Food Show will be held at 9:00 A.M. Educational Presentations will begin at 11:00 A.M.

Those interested in competing in these contests should sign up by **Friday, March 5, 2021**.

RAINS COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

The 2021 Rains County Fair will be held the week of **September 14-18, 2021**.

If you have not filled out the Exhibitor Sign-Up Form when it is available online and at the office, you will need to turn that in by May 3, 2021. We must have that in our possession before you show!

Steer weigh-in is set for Sunday, April 18 from 2:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M. at Mike Willis' Farm in Emory.

There is a minimum weight requirement of 500 pounds for steers at initial weigh-in. Steers must show a two-pound per day weight gain from beginning weigh-in until ending weigh-in September 16.

Tag-in for pigs, lambs and goats will be held on Saturday, June 5 from 8:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. at the Rains County Fairgrounds.

MAJOR SHOW STEER TAG ORDERS

If you are planning to carry any steers to any of the major shows next year, you need to purchase ear tags for them. Ear tag orders and the money are due by **April 2nd** to our office. The cost of ear tags will be **\$15.00**.

4-H HORSE VALIDATION PROCESS - MAY 3 DEADLINE

May 3rd has and still continues to be the deadline for a 4-H'er to certify a horse. Horses not validated on or before May 3rd are **INELIGIBLE** for District and State 4-H Horse Shows!

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS SWINE, LAMB & GOAT TAGS

If you are taking any animals to the State Fair of Texas, you must order tags by **April 2nd**. The cost of tags is **\$15.00**.



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