



Sutton County 4-H Forecast



February 2024



Special points of interest:

- Club News
- Project News
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Monthly calendar

4-H Club Meeting- The next general 4-H meeting will be after stock show season is over.

County Stock Show Thanks-

A great big "Thank You!" to all of you that helped to put on the county stock show. Whether you helped with weigh-in, clean-up, meals, fundraising, or whatever....just know that we appreciate you.

Stock Show Sponsors' Lists:

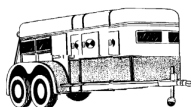
Your list of premium sponsors are ready to be picked up, so that you may write thank you notes. It's important to write good thank you notes to our buyers. You must then bring the *unsealed* notes in a stamped envelope to the Extension Office. By February 5th.

Equipment & Shows- For new 4-H families who may not be aware, we have clippers, blowers, and trimming stands needed to prepare your animal for show. Call me for help, to check out equipment, or so we can coordinate hauling animals. Travel plans are as follows:

Departure Times for San Angelo Show...

Market Lambs/Goats : Feb 3 @ 8:00 a.m.

Gilts: Feb 8; Barrows: Feb 12 (W1); Feb 14 (W2)



Departure Times for San Antonio Stock Show .

Wether Does: Feb 8

Market Lambs/Goats: 6:00 p.m. Feb 11

Barrows: Wave 1 (Feb 15); Wave 2 (Feb 20)

District Photography Contest Registration-

Regular Registration for the District Photography Contest will be held on 4-H Online **February 1-20, 2024**. Cost for registration will be \$15.00 per person. Photos must be taken between March 1-2023 and Feb. 20, 2024. May enter up to 3 photos but **NOT** within the same category. Please refer to the district photography guidelines for full details at <https://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-events-activities/photography>.

4-H Barn- If you haven't yet done so, please clean up the pen(s) you used during county show. Judging teams and exhibitors all use the same 4-H barn. Also, please clean up after shearing, weighing, etc.

Major Stock Show Reminders

Arrival time * are tattoos legible?* *ear tags

* withdrawal times on meds

* Breeding projects need health papers & breed registration papers (in the exhibitor's name).

- Must be passing to be eligible to show.

Grandstand Results

These are what we have to share, there may be more:

Kelbi Blessing Champion Buck & Grand Champion Angora;

\$10,000 Scholarship; Jr. Showmanship winner

Robert Harter- 3rd yearling doe ,4th buck kid; Sr. Showmanship winner

Andie Harter- 6th yearling doe.

Stella Harter- 7th Buck kid ; 7th yearling doe.

Corbin Crenwelge- 2nd Doe Kid

Hollis Snyder—4th place class 8 Hamp, 9th place class 17 cross, 11th place Breeding Gilts Class 3 Crossbred

Jill Castro - 2nd place light weight FWX

Luke Snyder - 8th place class 10 Dark OPB , 10th place Breeding Gilts Class 5 Crossbred

Jocelyn Rogers - 4th place heavy weight Berkshire

District 10 Spring RoundUp-

Many opportunities for everyone to showcase their talents!

Events are:

Livestock Judging— April 15 (Gillespie County Fairgrounds)

Range & Pasture ID, Range Evaluation, Wool Judging, Mohair Judging— April 16 (Gillespie County Fairgrounds)

Share-The-Fun— April 17 (Gillespie County Extension Office)
Registration is **March 1– 19, 2024** on 4-H Online.

Inside Story....



4-H Talent Showcase Project 2024!

Previously known as “Share-The-Fun”, this project is a competitive event related to the Theater and Performance Arts project. 4-H members have the chance to develop a spirit of cooperation with their fellow 4-H members; develop self-confidence through public performance; stimulate interest in broad-based recreation in 4-H clubs; encourage 4-H members to discover and develop their talents: and to grow socially, culturally, and further develop leadership skills. But most importantly, theater and performance arts is about HAVING FUN!

Seven (7) categories are offered:

Choreographed Routines

Variety Show

Poetry/Prose

Vocal

4-H Skit

Musical/Instrumental

Solo/Band Performance

** Youth can compete as an individual or in a team (2-9 members).

Registration is **March 1– 19, 2024** on 4-H Online. Contact the Extension Office if interested

2024 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship. (Dates).

November 1st Scholarship Applications OPEN

February 15th at 11:59 PM Scholarship Application DEADLINE

April Interview Selection Notification

April 26-27, 2024 Scholarship Interviews in College Station

June 4th – 6th Awards assembly in College Station



Applicants must complete a 2024-2025 FAFSA Application by January 31st to be eligible for consideration for a Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship.

In the FAFSA section in the Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship application, applicants will input a “0” for the EFC box.

In the FAFSA upload spot, applicants will upload a screenshot of their FAFSA account dashboard that shows their form is in review, submission date, and name of applicant. (You can take this with a phone, snipping tool, print screen, etc. to attach to the application. This screenshot can be from the parent dashboard or the applicant dashboard.)

If applicants receive their report back from FAFSA, input the report in the appropriate spots.

If applicants have not received their FAFSA report back by the February 15th deadline, they need to follow the instructions above using their FAFSA submission confirmation.

The Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship DEADLINE is still February 15th. There **WILL NOT** be an extension on the deadline.

Once applicants receive their official FAFSA report back (after February 15th), they will submit it using this link: <https://fs23.formsite.com/YVsLnb/junaan8zju/index> **The deadline to submit your FAFSA report through this link is March 31st.**

San Angelo Stock Show Scholarships

The scholarships applications will be due on March 1, 2024. Scholarships may be used to attend a Texas vocational/technical school or accredited Texas college or university. Applicants must be a 4-H or FFA member. Applicants do not have to pursue a degree in agriculture or related fields.

Scholarships are awarded as \$1,000 per semester, with the ability to renew each semester for a total of eight semesters, therefore totaling a maximum of \$8,000.00. After the initial semester students must meet all renewal requirements.

Eligibility Requirements: Member of 4-H or FFA • Resident of Texas • Must have participated in the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo (at least once) • Satisfactorily complete the requirements for a high school diploma in the spring of the current year. • Enroll for a minimum of 12 hours per semester. • Must have taken the ACT or SAT to be eligible. • Scholarships must be claimed within one year of high school graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited. For full details visit <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/about/scholarship>

Texas Brigades-

Now accepting applications; open to youth, 13-17 years of age, who are interested subject-specific stewardship, conservation, and management topics throughout 5 days. Camp fees (\$500) include meals, lodging, materials, and more. Local sponsorships are available and encouraged.



Limited to 30 participants. Scheduled 2023 camp dates and locations:

- **South Texas Buckskin Brigade** – Chaparrosa Ranch (La Pryor, TX) **June 9-13, 2024**
- **Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade** – The 1687 Foundation (Rising Star, TX) **June 10-14, 2024**
- **South Texas Bobwhite Brigade** – Buck Horn Creek Ranch (McCoy, TX) **June 22-26, 2024**
- **South Texas Ranch Brigade** – Duval County Ranch (Freer, TX) **June 22-26, 2024**
- **Bass Brigade** – Warren Ranch (Santa Anna, TX) **July 9-13, 2024**
- **Ranch Brigade** – Warren Ranch (Santa Anna, TX) **July 15-19, 2024**
- **Waterfowl Brigade** – Pintail Hunting Club (Garwood, TX) **July 17-21, 2024**

Find more information on Texas Brigades and their long-time partnership with AgriLife at www.texasbrigades.org.

Apply online at www.texasbrigades.org/applications by the **March 15th deadline**.

2024 Texas 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon

It's time to start gearing up for the STATEWIDE 2024 4-H Virtual Fishing Reel 'em In Skill-a-thon! Registration will open on 4HOnline, February 1st with the spring tournament scheduled to start on March 15th. This is a fun, educational opportunity for 4-H youth and Clover Kids to get outside and fish with their families and friends as the fishing takes place wherever they are located in Texas! Short educational videos on fishing tips, equipment, fish ID, industry careers, and more are available on the **Texas 4-H Natural Resources** Facebook page and new YouTube page. Prize packages of gift cards, fishing gear, and more will be awarded as provided by sponsors. Last year over \$10,000 in prizes were awarded !

- Use of 2-digit decimal place for measuring fish.
- All fish must be caught using rod and reel.
- Update to Wild Card contest.
- Update to freshwater and saltwater species.
 - Panfish species category
 - Flounder to replace sheepshead
- Cap removed on length of redfish.
- Two-placing limit on top 10 awards by category.

Questions?

Contact

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4-H Youth Development

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2024 Spring

Virtual TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN
2024 FISHING SKILL-A-THON

Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) 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 March 2024
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules posted February 1st at <https://d54-h.tamu.edu/>

NEW! Species Divisions:

- Saltwater – Spotted Seatrout, Flounder & Redfish
- Freshwater – Bass, Catfish & Panfish group

More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam – post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card – random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fees:

- Regular Registration: February 1-March 7, \$50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)
- Late Registration: March 8-31, \$100

Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu

Spring Tournament
Fish at YOUR Location:
March 15 at 12:00 am thru
May 27 at 11:59 pm

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.

Thank you to all the 2024 Sutton County Livestock Contributors

AWARD SPONSORS

Jr & Sr Lamb Showmanship -**Capital Farm Credit**
Plaques for Champion & Res. Finewool & FW Cross Market Lambs- **Sonora Bank**
Champion & Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb Plaques- **The Bank & Trust**
Champion Hair Sheep Plaque- **Mr. & Mrs. Robert Davis**
Reserve Champion Hair Sheep Plaque- **Sutton Ag Program Fund**
Grand & Res. Champion Market Lamb Buckles- **Oak Hill Ranch**
Sr Meat Goat Showmanship Buckle- **3B Shearing, Brister Family**
Jr Meat Goat Showmanship Buckle- **Johnson Family Ranch**
Grand & Res. Champion Meat Goat Plaques- **B-D Live Oak Ranch/Billy & Bobby Ann Dictson**
Grand & Res. Champion Meat Goat Buckles- **Morriss Ranch**
Jr & Sr Angora Goat Showmanship Buckles- **Sonora Wool & Mohair**
Champion & Res. Registered Angora Buck Awards- **HF4 Ranch**
Champion & Res. Registered Angora Goat Plaques- **The Bank & Trust**
Grand Champion Angora Goat- **Stewart Family**
Reserve Grand Champion Angora Goat Buckle- **RJL Renovations**
Grand champion Rabbit buckle- **CK and Desiree Kessler**
Reserve Grand Champion Rabbit buckle-**Will and Lauren Griffin.**
Grand & Reserve Champion Rabbit Banners- **Jim and Loraine Polonis**
Grand & reserve grand champion Steer Banners- **Jim and Loraine Polonis**
Grand Champion Steer Buckle- **CK and Desiree Kessler**
Reserve Grand Champion Steer Buckles- **Will and Lauren Griffin**
Jr & Sr Swine Showmanship Buckle- **Capital Farm Credit**
Champion & Res. Market Swine Plaques- **DeBerry Family**
Grand & Res. Champion Market Swine Buckles- **Terry & Kelly Owen**
Top Hand Buckle- **Michael Gilbert**
High Ticket Seller Buckle- **Terry & Kelly Owen**
Ribbons- **Sonora Lions Club**

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We apologize if anyone was inadvertently omitted.



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Project Visits

If you would like some help or input, call to set up a time for a project visit. We're here to help you.



**** Very Important-** Keep your grades up! If you are not passing at stock show time, you will NOT be eligible to show your animal!

Ag Farm- Thanks to the families who have been cleaning up the Ag barn. Please continue to keep your areas clean & to sweep up after weighing, shearing, etc. The appearance of the facility reflects on YOU! Also, please keep gates closed.

69th Annual Texas Youth Range Workshop-

June 16-21, 2024 at the Texas Tech University Center in Junction, Texas. Learn about rangelands and natural resource management. Applications are now open for high school students. Check their website at tssrm-youthrangeworkshop.com for more information! Apply at <http://tx.ag/YRW2024>
Call if interested. Scholarships available.

Judging Teams-

February will be the time to sign up. If interested in judging teams for Plant Id. Range Science, or wool & mohair judging, give us a call. Pascual coaches range science. Range science will begin this month.

Range Science

Experience the outdoors and learn about plants which are good for wildlife, which plants are poisonous, etc.!

Range science will meet on Feb 27 at 4 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Wool/Mohair Judging

The Wool Contest tests a 4-H member's knowledge and ability to determine the grade, rank, and categorize wool. The contest provides an opportunity for youth to compete and develop skills that can be used on a sheep ranching operation, within the wool industry, or agricultural teaching field.

Thank Our Adult Volunteers:

We have 4-H opportunities thanks to the work of our volunteers. As you attend your 4-H activities, remember to thank the folks that make it happen. That includes our club managers, but also those who lead food & nutrition, photography, shooting sports, public speaking, livestock show committees, judging teams, etc.

We should also thank our parents for allowing us to be involved in our many opportunities.

Mailing List:

If you are on the 4-H mailing list and would rather read the 4-H newsletter online, please let us know so that we can remove you from the mailing list.

Ask Us About.....

Scholarship Opportunities	Range Science
Wool & Mohair Judging	Texas Brigades
Texas Youth Range Workshop	


Something To Think About...

"The less we have, the more we give. Seems absurd, but it's the logic of love." - *Mother Teresa*

"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could." — *St. Gregory Nazianzen*

"It is what we do routinely, not what we do rarely, that delineates the character of a person." — *Joan D. Chittister*

Pascual Hernandez
CEA-AG
Sutton County

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>February 2024</h1> 						
				1 District 10 4-H photography Contest Opens on 4-H online	2 <u>Angelo</u> - Ag Mechanics & Jr. Stars Wether Does Arrive	3 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr. Stars Wether Does Show & Sale Market Lambs & Goats Arrive
4 <u>Angelo</u> - Market Lambs & Goat Show	5 <u>Angelo</u> - Market Lambs Show & Market Steers Arrive "Thank You" notes are due by 5pm	6 <u>Angelo</u> - Market Steers Show SALE - Jr Purebred & Crossbred Gilts Arrive	7 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr Angoras & Angora Futurity Arrive SALE - Jr Purebred & Crossbred Gilts Show	8 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr Angoras & Angora Futurity Show Jr Breeding & Star Gilts Arrive SALE - Jr Purebred Gilts Show & Jr Crossbred Sale	9 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr Breeding & Stars Gilt Arrive by 9am SALE - Comm. Doe & Reg. Breeding sheep & Angora Breeding Goats Arrive	10 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr Breeding & Stars Gilt Show SALE - Comm. Doe & Reg. Breeding Sheep Show
11 <u>Angelo</u> - Stars Gilts Show SALE - Jr. Angora Breeding Goats Show	12 <u>Angelo</u> - Stars Gilt Sale Market Barrow Wave 1 Arrive SALE - Jr. Market Goats & Lambs Arrive	13 <u>Angelo</u> - Market Barrow Wave 1 Show SALE - Jr. Market Goats & Lamb Show	14 Happy Valentine's Day! <u>Angelo</u> - Market Barrows Wave 2 Arrive SALE - Jr. Market Lamb Show	15 <u>Angelo</u> - Market Barrows Wave 2 Show Jr. & Open Breeding Sheep Wave 1 Arrive 4-H Foundation Scholarship Dead Deadline	16 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr. & Open Breeding Sheep Wave 1 Show & Jr Rabbit Arrive/Show SALE - Jr Market Barrows Wave 1 Arrive	17 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr. & Open Breeding Sheep Wave 2 Arrive & Judging Contest SALE - Jr Market Barrows Wave 1 Show
18 <u>Angelo</u> - Jr. & Open Breeding Sheep Wave 2 Show SALE - Jr Market Barrows Wave 1 Show	19 Happy Birthday Bram Lawrence SALE - Jr Market Steers Wave 1 Arrive Extension Office Closed	20 District 10 4-H Photography Contest Deadline SALE - Jr Market Barrows Wave 2 Arrive & Jr Market Steers Wave 1 Show	21 SALE - Jr Market Barrows Wave 2 Show & Jr Market Steers Wave 2 Arrive	22 SALE - Jr. Market Goat & Lamb Auction & Jr Market Barrows Wave 2 Show & Jr. Market Steers Wave 2 Show	23 SALE - Jr Market Barrows Auction & Jr. Market Steers Wave 2 Show	24 SALE - Jr. Market Steers Auction
25 SALE - Livestock Judging Contest	26	27 Range Science @ 4 pm - Extension Office	28	29		