



## Sutton County 4-H Forecast



**March 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 in **March 26**, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.  
See you then!

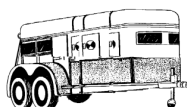
### Stock Show Road:

*Departure Times for Houston Show...*

Market Lambs/Goats : Mar 4 @ 5:00 p.m.

*Departure Times for Austin Stock Show .*

Market Lambs/Goats: 6:00 a.m. Mar 14



**Judging Teams-** If interested in judging teams, give us a call.  
John Jones is our wool & mohair coach. Pascual coaches range science.

RANGE SCIENCE will meet on March 12, 19, and 26 at 4 pm at the Extension Office.

### WOOL/MOHAIR/RANGE CONTESTS:

- \* West Texas A&M Invitational – March 22, 2024 (wool only)
- \* Sonora Judging Contests & Wool Show– April 6, 2024
- \* Crockett County Invitational - April 12, 2024
- \* Val Verde County Invitational (wool only)– April 13, 2024
- \* Kimble County Invitational– April 14, 2024
- \* District Judging Contests – Thurs April 16, 2024 Fredericksburg
- \* Kerrville Invitational contest– May 11, 2024

### Sonora Invitational Contests & Fleece Show– April 6, 2024

Schedule is as follows:

8AM • Registration (GRASS ID & RANGE JUDGING )

9:00AM • Grass Id Contest Begins

10:30AM • Range Judging On-Site Orientation - Contest immediately following

1PM • Awards (GRASS ID & RANGE JUDGING )

1PM • WOOL & MOHAIR/FLEECE SHOW Registration

1:30PM • Orientation

2PM • WOOL & MOHAIR Contest/FLEECE SHOW Begins

5PM • Awards (WOOL & MOHAIR JUDGING/ FLEECE SHOW)

### 2024 State Fair Lamb and Goat Validation.

**STATE FAIR TAG ORDERS FOR 2024 WILL OPEN MARCH 1ST;** Please order your tags by March 22. Cost is \$15/head.

### Steer/Heifer Ear Tag Orders—

anyone interested in showing steers or heifers next stock show season needs to order ear tags. Cost is \$25.00 per tag. Please order your tags by March 22nd.  
Validation will take place in June.

### San Angelo Stock Show Results

*Corbin Crenwelge*– 8th Angora Lt wt wether, 4th shorn, 3rd place ; Res CH Buck, 7th yrlg Buck, 10th Doe Kid, 8th Yrlg Doe.  
*Kelbi Blesing*– 3rd Yrlg Buck; 3rd Doe Kid, 5th Yrlg Doe, 1&2 Aged Doe; CH Doe; Jr. Showmanship.

*Robert Harter*– 10th Hvy Angora wether, 7th shorn, 9th overall; 2nd Buck Kid; 4th Aged Buck; 1 & 7 Doe Kid; 2&6 Yrlg Doe; 4th Aged Doe; Sr Showmanship

*Stella Harter*– 4th Angora Hvy wt wether; 7th Buck Kid; 2&8 Doe Kid; 9th Angora Aged Doe

*Cassia Hernandez*– 15th Lt Wt FWX

*Luke Snyder*– 10th Class 8 Cross Gilt

### San Antonio Stock Show Results

*Corbin Crenwelge*–1st Buck Kid; 1st Yrlg Buck; 5th Aged Buck; Res CH Buck; 1st Doe Kid; 6th Yrlg Doe; Res CH Doe  
*Kelbi Blesing*– 6th Buck Kid; 2nd Yrlg Buck; 4th Aged Buck; 2nd Doe Kid; 2nd Yrlg Doe; 3&7 Aged Doe. 2nd WetherDoe

*Robert Harter*– 2nd Buck Kid; 5th Doe Kid; 3rd Yrlg Doe; 5th Aged Doe

*Stella Harter*– 6th Doe Kid;

*Jillian Castro*– 7th Wether Doe

*Cassia Hernandez*– 8th Lt wt FWX

**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

## 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 2024 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](http://www.texasbrigades.org).

Apply online at [www.texasbrigades.org/applications](http://www.texasbrigades.org/applications) by the **March 15th deadline**.

## Texas 4-H Congress-

Texas 4-H Congress is a four-day mock legislative experience for 4-H members in grades 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> (at the time of the event). During this time, 4-H members assume the roles of legislators, lobbyists, and press corps to gain a first-hand understanding of how the legislative process works. Bills that are written and sponsored by 4-H members focus on issues concerning Texas and Texas youth. . It is scheduled to take place July 14-17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (Sunday-Wednesday) in Austin, TX (Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol). **County Selection:** Due to restricted space, please let us know if interested (County Offices have to turn in nominations by **March 25**).

February 15, 2024	Lobbyist application opens on 4HOnline
February 15, 2024	Press Corps application opens on 4HOnline
March 14, 2024	Lobbyist application closes
March 14, 2024	Press Corps application closes
March 29, 2024	Lobbyist and Press Corps notification
April 1, 2024	Early Bird Registration opens on 4HOnline
April 30, 2024	Early Bird Registration closes on 4HOnline
May 1, 2024	Registration continues on 4HOnline at an increased fee
May 30, 2024	Bill submission closes
May 30, 2024	Registration closes on 4HOnline

### Sutton County 4-H Scholarship-

We have scholarships available for graduating 4-H seniors. To qualify:

1. Must submit a completed application to the Extension office by **May 1, 2024**. All required materials must be included.
2. Must be currently enrolled as a member of the Sutton County 4-H Club.
3. Must be active during Jr & Sr year in the **Sutton County** 4-H Club & have attended at least 4 club meetings per year.
4. Must have been involved with 4-H a minimum of 5 years. (including your junior and senior year)
5. Must submit proof of acceptance at the educational institution of choice. (jr. college, university, vocational school)
6. Must be candidate for graduation from Sonora H.S. in the spring of the current year. Must provide copy of official school transcript.
7. Must have been involved in at least 2 projects within your 4-H career.
8. Must have been involved in a minimum of 2 community service projects per year of club membership. Of those, at least 1 must be a 4-H community service project annually. A completed service form must be turned in for non-4-H service projects.
9. Must have been involved in leadership activities. (i.e. elected position, judging team, county/district/state/national competition, community service, leadership labs, state and/or national congress, record book competition)
10. Must interview with the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship must be used for college expenditures (dormitory/apartment, books, tuition). Funds will be made payable to the institution. Students are to provide the Extension Office with the college's scholarship donor forms or contact information for the college's Financial Aid Office.

### Texas 4-H Photography Contest -

A senior-only qualifying contest where photos qualify directly from COUNTY to STATE. Each county may submit no more than 1 photo per category (15 total). The rules are posted on the state Photography page : <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/> . The timeline for entry is April 1-15.

### Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School—

June 16- 20, 2024, in Stephenville, Texas. The school will be held at Park Your Pony Arena. This event has been developed to encourage young people in 4H to develop leadership skills and to exercise their abilities in working with younger members in roping activities in 4H. Participation is accepted on a first come, first-serve basis with priority to those who are 12 years of age and older. The maximum number which can be accommodated is 50. All participants MUST be a current member of 4H to participate.

**The cost of the school will be \$600 per participant for the week.** This will include group insurance, meals, lodging, cost of the practice calves in the teaching process, and stall rent for one horse. .

**Housing/Meals:** All students will be housed in the Tarleton State University Dormitories. Most meals will be taken in the Tarleton State University Dining Hall.

Application forms are found at [https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15GEbHUmnfKxffhY5bHfy0uIjPv03C\\_AD](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15GEbHUmnfKxffhY5bHfy0uIjPv03C_AD) .

**All forms need to be emailed to [4hropingschool@gmail.com](mailto:4hropingschool@gmail.com).**

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### Wildlife Conservation Camp –

This camp for high school aged youth is focused on wildlife and their habitats within the 10 ecoregions of Texas. Days will be filled with hands on education in the field, classrooms, and labs learning about wildlife biology and ecology along with habitat management techniques and habitat and wildlife survey practices. The camp is sponsored by the Texas Chapter of the Wildlife Society and will be held this year on the Bamberger Ranch outside of Johnson City.

Full details will be posted on the 4-H Wildlife & Fisheries webpage  
(<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/wildlife-fisheries/>).

### South Texas Ranch Brigade



### 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 1<sup>st</sup> with the spring tournament scheduled to start on March 15<sup>th</sup>. 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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**Club Officer Elections:** It's time to consider running for 4-H office. Only candidates who regularly attend club meetings should run. Being selected to office means being committed to serving. Applications may be submitted via email, fax, or by dropping them off at the office. **Applications due May 1, 2024.**

### 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](https://tssrm-youthrangeworkshop.com) for more information!

Apply at <http://tx.ag/YRW2024>

Priority acceptance will be given to students who apply by April 15th. Call if interested. Scholarships available.

### 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 Judging teams Summer Camps

### Something To Think About...

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence." ~Vince Lombardi

"Nothing is impossible. The word itself says: 'I'm possible!'"

~Audrey Hepburn

Pascual Hernandez  
CEA-AG  
Sutton County

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>March 2024</div>						<b>1</b> Steer, Lamb & Goat Validation Tag order starts  District 10 Round-up Registration Opens
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <i>Happy Birthday Elizabeth Griffin</i>	<b>5</b> <u>HLSR</u> - Market Lamb & Goat <i>Arrive</i>  <i>Happy Birthday Olivia Araujo</i>	<b>6</b> <u>HLSR</u> - Market Lamb & Goat <i>Show</i>	<b>7</b> <u>HLSR</u> - Market Lamb & Goat <i>Show</i>	<b>8</b> <u>HLSR</u> - Market Lamb & Goat <i>Auction</i>  <i>Happy Birthday Isidro Munoz</i>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Daylight Saving Time Starts	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <u>Austin</u> - Jr. Wether Doe <i>Arrive</i>  Range Science @ 4 pm - Extension Office	<b>13</b> <u>Austin</u> - Jr. Wether Doe <i>Show</i>	<b>14</b> <u>Austin</u> - Jr. Market Lamb <i>Arrive</i>	<b>15</b> <u>Austin</u> - Jr. Market Lamb <i>Show</i>  Texas Brigades Application Deadline	<b>16</b> <i>Happy Birthday Justin Arredondo</i>
<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Share the Fun @ 3:15 pm - Extension Office  <i>Range Science @ 4 pm - Extension Office</i>  Deadline to Register District Round up	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Deadline to order Steer, Lamb & Goat Validation Tags	<b>23</b> <u>Austin</u> - Market Lamb & Goat <i>Auction</i>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Nominations for Texas 4-H Congress Due	<b>26</b> Share the Fun @ 3:15 pm - Extension Office  <i>4-H Club Meeting @ 5:30 pm - Civic Center</i>  Range Science @ 4 pm - Extension Office	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Extension Office Closed - Good Friday	<b>30</b> <i>Happy Birthday Weston Fisher</i>
<b>31</b> 						