

Willacy County 4-H Newsletter

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Spring Is In Full Swing!

After a successful Willacy County Livestock Show and Fair in January we are now into the last leg into this stock show marathon.

A schedule for RGVLS is available in this newsletter, and make sure to read the details in the premium book online of your specific competition to see if any changes made from previous years including arrival dates, deadlines, placings, and eligibility.

UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

County and District Photography Contest

Pictures due via email to georgina.macias@ag.tamu.edu by 4:59 p.m. **Sunday March 21st**. See more details on contest page in this newsletter.

District Livestock Judging Contest

District 12 Livestock Judging Contest to be held Thursday **April 15th** in Alice. Registration deadline Tuesday **April 6th** on 4-H online. See more details on contest page in this newsletter.

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show

Wristband, parking passes, and raffle tickets are available for pickup at the extension office. Show begins with art and photography on March 6th with livestock shows and contests beginning March 10th until Sunday March 21st. Good luck to all exhibitors!

All future 4-H meeting dates set

All future 4-H club and council meetings will be the second Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Location dependent on venue availability. **April 12th, May 10th, June 14th**. No meetings in July or August.

Summer Camps!

Keep an eye out for 4-H summer camp information. These camps can be focused around outdoors, leadership development, public speaking, livestock stewardship, and more!

Willacy County 4-H and District 12 4-H



PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

In order to be eligible for the district contest all photos must be judged at the county level (judging will be done blind by judges located outside the county). If your entry is the winner of your category you will be notified by the county agent and it is your responsibility to submit to 4-H online to enter the District contest(\$8)by Tuesday March 23rd. Entering photos onto 4-H online before judging at the county level is subject to disqualification.

The contest will be open to all three age divisions (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior)and the theme will be "Forced Perspective"

Submit Photos via email to georgina.macias@ag.tamu.edu by Sunday March 21st at 4:59 p.m. in .jpg .png or .jpeg format

For full contest rules, categories, please visit https://agrillife.org/d124h/files/2021/01/PH_2021_DistrictRules.pdf

DISTRICT 10 & 12
LIVESTOCK JUDGING
CONTEST

**LIVESTOCK
JUDGING
CONTEST
THURSDAY
APRIL 15TH
ALICE, TEXAS.**

TO SIGN UP FOR THE
CONTEST GO TO 4-H
ONLINE AND REGISTER
MARCH 16TH-APRIL 6TH
AS AN INDIVIDUAL. MORE
INFO TO COME ON TEAMS
AND PRACTICES, KEEP AN
EYE OUT!



RGVLS 2021 SIFTING & JUDGING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY – MARCH 6

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Delivery and check in of Western Art and Photography entries (Masks required and social distancing will be practiced)

7:30 P.M. Cover Girl Revue – Event Center (Closed to General Public. Must have ticket to enter)

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 10

8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Arrival of Jr. Breeding Cattle and RGVLS Breeding Cattle Futurity Show Entries. (Beefmaster, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Commercial Cattle, Mini-Hereford, Texas Longhorns, and All Other Breeds)

1:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. Breeding Cattle & Commercial Cattle Check-in/Classification – Event Center Arena

7:00 P.M. Jr. Santa Gertrudis Futurity Show (Not RGVLS Futurity Show) – Event Center Arena

THURSDAY – MARCH 11

8:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. Santa Gertrudis – Event Center Arena

9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Delivery of FFA & 4-H Shop Projects – Youth Center

1:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Beefmaster – Event Center Arena

4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Early delivery of Jr. Breeding Sheep, Jr. Breeding Goats, RGVLS Boer Goat Futurity Entries & Dairy Goats

4:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Red Brangus – Event Center Arena

5:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Commercial heifers – Event Center Arena

FRIDAY – MARCH 12

8:00 A.M. Judging of FFA & 4-H Shop Projects – Youth Center

8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. Delivery of Jr. Breeding Sheep, Jr. Breeding Goats & Dairy Goats

9:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. AOB Heifers – Event Center Arena

11:00 A.M. Judging of The Jr. Texas Longhorns – Event Center Arena

12:00 P.M. Judging of Mini-Hereford Show – Event Center Arena

FRIDAY – MARCH 12 (Cont)

2:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity – Beefmaster – Event Center Arena

3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. Early delivery of Jr. Breeding Gilts

4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Delivery & Classifying of Horticulture Entries

4:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Commercial Heifers – Event Center Arena

8:00 P.M. Check-in of RGVLS Boer Goat Futurity Show entries & Dairy Goats North Barn

SATURDAY – MARCH 13

8:00 A.M. Judging of FFA & 4-H Shop Projects – Youth Center

8:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Texas Longhorn Show – Event Center Arena

8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. Check-in Jr. Breeding Goats

8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Delivery of Jr. Breeding Gilts

8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Delivery & Check-in of Jr. Breeding Sheep

9:00 A.M. Judging of Horticulture Entries – Greenhouse

9:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Red Brangus Entries – Event Center Arena

10:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity AOB Entries – Event Center Arena

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Delivery of garments and information forms for the All Valley Cotton Style Show Event Center – Upstairs

10:30 A.M. Swine Skillathon On Site registration (for those who did not enter online) Event Center

11:00 A.M. Swine Skillathon – Event Center

11:00 A.M. Delivery, Weighing, Sifting & Classifying Jr. Breeding Rabbits – Rabbit Arena

12:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Santa Gertrudis entries – Event Center Arena

1:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Boer Goat Futurity Show – North Barn Arena

1:30 P.M. Judging of Horticulture for Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion

2:00 P.M. Weight Card Turn in for Jr. Breeding Gilts – Hog Arena Office

SATURDAY – MARCH 13 (Cont)

2:00 P.M. Preliminary Judging – All Valley Cotton Style Show Garments (Closed to exhibitors and public)

3:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Mini-Hereford Show – Event Center Arena

4:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Breeding Cattle Showmanship – Event Center Arena

4:00 P.M. Swine Skillathon Award Ceremony – Event Center Hog Arena

4:00 P.M. Judging of Dairy Goat Show – North Barn Arena

5:00 P.M. Jr. Breeding Gilt Showmanship – Event Center Hog Arena

5:30 P.M. Comments from Judges and presentation of awards for FFA & 4-H Show Youth Center

8:00 P.M. Beefmaster Futurity Event (Not RGVLS Futurity)

SUNDAY – MARCH 14

8:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. Breeding Sheep – Followed by Showmanship event – North Barn Arena

8:00 A.M. Release of all Breeding Cattle

9:00 A.M. Classifying & Judging of Jr. Breeding Gilts – Event Center Hog Arena

9:00 A.M. RELEASE OF RGVLS FUTURITY ENTRIES – OPEN BOER GOAT

10:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. Breeding Rabbits – Followed by Showmanship- Rabbit Arena

1:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Breeding Goats – Followed by Showmanship – North Barn Arena

1:00 P.M. All Valley Cotton Style Show check-in – Event Center Upstairs

2:00 P.M. Judging of all Valley Cottons Style Show – Event Center Upstairs

5:00 P.M. Release of Jr. Breeding Rabbits, Jr. Breeding Gilts, Jr. Breeding Goats, Jr. Breeding Sheep & Dairy Goats

MONDAY – MARCH 15

8:00 A.M. Prepared Public Speaking Contest Check-in – Event Center

8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. On-site registration Beef Skillathon for exhibitors that did not enter online – Event Center

8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Delivery of ALL Market Goats and Lambs

8:30 A.M. Agricultural Product Identification Contest – Awards at conclusion of competition – Event Center Upstairs

9:00 A.M. Prepared Public Speaking Contest – Awards at conclusion of competition Event Center

10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M. Delivery and sifting of Market Rabbits – followed by registration & written exam for Showmanship – Rabbit Arena

12:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. Delivery of Market Steers and Market Hogs

2:00 P.M. Beef Skillathon Competition – Event Center

6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Sifting & Classifying of Market Goats & Market Lambs

TUESDAY – MARCH 16

8:00 A.M. Judging of Market Rabbits – Followed by Showmanship – Rabbit Arena

8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Delivery of Market Steers and Market Hogs

8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. Arrival of Jr. Breeding Cattle and RGVLS Breeding Cattle Futurity Entries – (ARB, Brahman, Simbrah and Simmental)

10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Weighing of Market Steers

1:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. Jr. Breeding Cattle and RGVLS Breeding Cattle Futurity Entries Check-in Event Center Arena

1:00 P.M. Judging of Market Goats – North Barn

3:00 P.M. Classifying and Validation Check for Market Steers

5:00 P.M. Turn in weight cards and validation information for Market Hogs – Hog Office

6:30 P.M. Rio Grande Valley Brahman & F1 Association Jr. Showmanship Clinic & Show Event Center Arena

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 17

8:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. Simbrah – Event Center Arena
8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. Delivery and Sifting of Market Poultry – Middle Barn
9:00 A.M. Judging of Market Lambs – North Barn
11:00 A.M. Judging of Jr. Simmental – Event Center Arena
1:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. ARB – Event Center Arena
2:00 P.M. Judging of Jr. Brahman – Event Center Arena
4:00 P.M. Classifying and Judging of Market Hogs (Duroc, Dark OPB, Light OPB, Yorkshire) – Event Center Hog Arena
7:00 P.M. Judging of Market Poultry – Event Center Arena

THURSDAY – MARCH 18

8:00 A.M. Classifying & Judging of Market Hogs (Hampshire, Dark Cross, Other Cross Champion Drive) – Event Center Hog Arena
9:00 A.M. Market Goat Showmanship Contest – North Barn
9:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity ARB – Event Center Arena
10:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Simmental – Event Center Arena
11:00 A.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Simbrah – Event Center Arena
1:00 P.M. Market Lamb Showmanship Contest – North Barn
2:00 P.M. Judging of RGVLS Futurity Red & Gray Brahman – Event Center Arena

FRIDAY – MARCH 19

7:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. Release of FFA & 4-H Shop Projects
8:00 A.M. Market Hog Showmanship – Event Center Hog Arena
8:00 A.M. Judging of Market Steers – Followed by Showmanship – Event Center Arena
2:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. FFA & 4-H Livestock Judging Contest Registration – For exhibitors that did not enter online – Event Center Hog Office

FRIDAY – MARCH 19 (Cont)

4:00 P.M. Jr Breeding Cattle Showmanship – Event Center Arena
6:00 P.M. Simbrah & Simmental Showmanship – Event Center Arena

SATURDAY – MARCH 20

7:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. Release of FFA & 4-H Shop Projects
7:30 A.M. 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest Team Packet Pickup – Rodeo Arena Box Office
8:15 A.M. 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest for Champs Scholarship Recipients Event Center Hog Arena
8:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest Instructions – Event Center Hog Arena
9:00 A.M. 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest – Payne Rodeo Arena
11:00 A.M. Awarding of Good Housekeeping, 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest Winners, South Texas Ford Dealers Scholarship Recipients Announcement.
12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. Release of Photography and Art Contest Entries
6:00 P.M. Load out of Market Hog


SUNDAY – MARCH 21

7:00 A.M. Release of all Breeding Cattle
9:00 A.M. Load out of Market Steers
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Release of Horticulture Projects
11:00 A.M. Load out of Market Lambs and Market Goats

Willacy County 4-H Council is asking for your help!

BUDGET COMMITTEE

- **Come be a constructive part in planning the budget for the remaining 4-H year**
- **Budget committee members will be asked to attend a budget workshop to follow best financial management practices**
- **Budget committee members must be a 4-H member or 4-H parent**



Please keep an eye out for future meeting dates and workshops.