

Teton County 4-H Livestock Committee

The Teton County 4-H Livestock Committee met **March 24, 2011** at the Teton County Sheriff's office. Those in attendance were Nikki Ley, Dale Sand, Barb Bouma, Danelle Crary, and Extension Agent Mark Major.

Nikki called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer's report showed income of \$1440.00 in beef assessments and a payment of \$6.16 to Northwestern Energy for electricity at the hog barn for a balance of \$2309.31.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mark gave a report on the proposed wash rack expansion at the Weatherbeater. He is working with Weatherbeater board members Lane Yeager and Mark Salmond to organize this project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The deadline to drop or add a project is April 15th.

April 15th is also the date that Market Swine and Market Lamb paperwork and photos are due to the Extension Office. After that date, late fees will apply.

Shipping of market animals will be June 26th at 6:00pm for pigs, June 27th at 9:00am for beef and lambs.

Carcass Judging will be June 30th at Crossroads Meats in Shelby. Members are welcome at 2:30pm. The Carcass Event will be July 11th at the Teton County Courthouse.

OLD BUSINESS:

Livestock Quality Assurance is 4:00pm April 7 in Fairfield and April 14 in Choteau.

There were no updates on the "Kiss a pig" contest and "Old Goat Showmanship". Terry and Nikki are in charge of these events,

respectively.

The judge for market animals and goats at the 4-H fair is Nico Cantalupo. Mark will check with Dave Wedum as a possible dog judge. Rabbit, cat, and poultry judges are still being sought.

Superintendent for beef is Doug Ulsh and for sheep are Brent Roeder and RT Snyder. Swine superintendents are still being considered.

Mark will visit with Jake Waldner about coordinating carcass transport from Crossroads Meats to various processors.

NEW BUSINESS:
Current enrollment numbers are 24 Market Beef, 6 Beef Breeding, 58 Market Swine, 9 Market Sheep, and 3 Sheep Breeding. There are 11 members taking duplicate animals. An entry fee for a second animal will be discussed for next year.

Mark will contact Brad Hodgskiss to see if he is available to transport the market animals to Shelby.

Mark will ask Tammy Townsend and possibly Colton Stephens to organize the Round Robin.

The chuck wagon dinner will be organized by Challenging Champs and Leona Somerfeld.

Dale will check with Larry or Dell at Western Ranch on the use of a scale. It will need to be setup by June 22nd.

Policy and Grievance committees will be organized at the next meeting.

The next meeting is **May 12th at 7:00pm at the Teton County Sheriff's Office.**

Teton County 4-H Horse Committee

The Teton County 4-H Horse Committee met March 24, 2011 at the Teton County Sheriff's office. Those in attendance were Barb Bouma, Danelle and Chottie Crary, and Extension Agent Mark Major.

Barb called the meeting to order.

Danelle read the minutes from the previous meeting and they were approved as read. The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$641.15.

OLD BUSINESS:

There were no new updates regarding the Ranch Horse Pilot Project. Danelle will check with Pondera County for ideas as they have adopted this project as well.

Tammy Townsend and Barb are working of adapting the Level 1-3 horse book to fit the Horseless Horse project members.

Shelby Beck will be conducting a clinic on May 14th at 1:00pm at the Weatherbeater. Interested participants need to register by May 7th. There is a \$10 fee. The clinic will focus on beginner level Horsemanship and bareback.

Joanni Kissock is scheduled to give a clinic on May 22nd from 12:00pm – 6:00pm at the Weatherbeater.

Registration deadline is May 13th.

The judge for the 4-H Horse show will be Tobin Arnold. Shelby Beck will act as ring steward.

The Horse Leader Training Workshop is scheduled for April 29th at 10:00am at the Weatherbeater. Danelle will ask Dave Wedum to be the test subject for this training and possibly bring an extra horse.

NEW BUSINESS:

There are 18 members enrolled in the Horsemanship project and 4 in Horseless Horsemanship.

The Horse Showcase is scheduled for June 11th depending on number of participants.

Work meetings will begin Wednesday, April 6th from 4 -6pm at the Weatherbeater. They will continue each Wednesday unless there is a better day for the members. All horse members are encouraged to bring a horse and ride and horseless members can observe and participate.

Barb will organize patterns for the 4-H fair and have them available on June 11th.

The next meeting is May 12th at 6:00pm at the Teton County Sheriff's office.