

OCTOBER 2024



Victoria County 4-H

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# CROSSROADS CLOVER

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Happy Fall Y'all!

There are A LOT of items in this month's edition of the Crossroads Clover. Stock Show deadlines, tag-ins/validation dates, and much more!

Everyone, youth and adults, still need to re-enroll for the 2024-2025 4-H year. This will be the last newsletter past 2023-2024 families will receive.

*Remember to be INTENTIONAL and IMPACTFUL.*

## **National 4-H Week**

October 6th - October 12th

## **Tractor Supply Campaign**

October 2nd - October 13th

*Paige Melton*

**4-H & Youth Development  
Extension Agent**



# ENROLLMENT 2024-2025 4-H YEAR


SEPTEMBER 1ST  
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## QUICK TIPS!

- **USE AN EMAIL ADDRESS THAT YOU HAVE DAILY ACCESS TO. THIS IS OUR MAIN SOURCE OF COMMUNICATION THAT WILL HAVE IMPORTANT INFORMATION SENT TO.**
- **MAKING SURE YOU ARE ON AN ACTUAL DESKTOP AND NOT YOUR PHONE OR IPAD.**
- **TRY USING A DIFFERENT WEB BROWSER IF YOU ARE HAVING ISSUES. FIREFOX IS THE PREFERRED BROWSER.**
- **LOGGING OUT AND LOGGING BACK IN SOMETIMES RESOLVES THE ISSUE.**
- **RESTARTING YOUR DEVICE AND CLEARING YOUR BROWSER'S HISTORY, COOKIES, AND CACHE CAN HELP.**
- **IF YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN YOUR PASSWORD, DO NOT CREATE ANOTHER ACCOUNT. SIMPLE SELECT "FORGOT PASSWORD" OR CALL THE EXTENSION OFFICE.**

**VOLUNTEERS - LEADERS, CLUB MANAGERS, BANK ACCOUNT SIGNERS, ANYONE DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH ASSISTING OUR 4-H MEMBERS MUST ALL ENROLL**

### **TO BE AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER:**

- STEP 1: COMPLETE 4-H ONLINE REGISTRATION**
- STEP 2: COMPLETE VOLUNTEER TRAININGS**
- STEP 3: COMPLETE STERLING ENROLLMENT**

# PROJECT UPDATES

## INDOOR RIFLE



### MANDATORY REGISTRATION & SAFETY MEETINGS

Thursday, October 3 OR Tuesday, October 8

6:00PM @ 4-H Activity Center (259 Bachelor Drive, Victoria, TX)

**\*\*NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS MUST ATTEND ONE OF THE ABOVE REGISTRATIONS & MEETINGS TO PARTICIPATE\*\***

### Project - 6 Safety and Target Shooting Meetings

Cost of Project Meetings is \$75 (ammo & rifle provided)

Remaining Project Dates: October 10 - October 24 on every Tuesday and Thursday

### Competition Season - January through April

Cost of Competition Season is \$385 per participant

\*Fees will be collected in December when equipment is assigned and more info will be provided during the project meetings.

## FOOD & NUTRITION



### PROJECT MEETING DATES

October 16, October 30

5:30 PM @ 4-H Activity Center

Come learn about healthy substitutes, knife safety, measuring skills and the Food Show and Food Challenge Competitions. Food Show is an individual contest that you prepare for in advance and is a **CLOVER KID OPPORTUNITY**. Food Challenge is like the TV show Chopped and is a great opportunity to get your friends together and do something fun on a team!

### County Contest

Sunday, November 10 @ 4-H Activity Center

Food Show starts at 12:30PM ~ Food Challenge starts at 3:00PM

**STAY TUNED FOR ANOTHER CLOVER KID FOOD & NUTRITION OPPORTUNITY COMING ON A FEW SUNDAYS!**

## LAMB & GOAT



**WETHER WORKOUT  
OCTOBER 26  
GOLIAD, TX**

### PROJECT MEETING DATES

October 13, November 10, December 8, January 12

3:00PM - 4:00PM @ Depine Residence

Please text Thomas for Location Pin 361-648-8510

Are you new to showing and lamb or goat? Do you want to learn more and get better? There are for you! Come learn WITH your animal and make it a family affair.

Don't wait or it will be too late! Don't be that person that says, "Well it was our first year and we just really didn't know."

Showmanship, grooming, exercising, feeding and equipment. All you need to know to help get you on the right track.

# LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

## QUALITY COUNTS

All livestock exhibitors that are showing at the Victoria Livestock Show and/or a Major Livestock Show must take the QUALITY COUNTS TEST. Only exhibitors that are brand new to showing livestock, entering 3rd grade (Junior), 6th grade (Intermediate), and 9th grade (Senior) will need to take the test. The Extension Office can email you a link and instructions if you need them.

\*If you are having any technical issues email [learnonline@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:learnonline@ag.tamu.edu)

\*If you have questions about grade level, DOB, or school/county email [texasyouthlivestock@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:texasyouthlivestock@ag.tamu.edu)

## VICTORIA LIVESTOCK SHOW

### TAG IN DATES

**Tagging in your animals DOES NOT enter you into the stock show. You must go to Showworks to pay for entry fees and enter!**

#### Commercial Heifer (Pen of Heifers)

October 5 @ Briggs Ranch - Bloomington, TX  
8:00AM - 11:00AM

#### Market Lamb, Carcass Lamb, Market Goat

October 12 @ Pole Barn (*This date is not for VLS Breeding Lamb & Goats*)  
8:00AM - 9:00AM

OR

October 29 @ Pole Barn (*This date is for Breeding Lamb & Goats -must have purchased major tag*)  
3:30PM-6:00PM

#### Breeding Commercial Halter Heifers

October 28 @ Diebel Ranch  
4:00PM - 6:00PM



## MAJOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

### MAJOR SHOW VALIDATION DATES

#### Major Heifer Validation

October 28 @ Diebel Ranch  
4:00PM - 6:00PM

**\*\*We will need a color copy of original registration papers to validate registered breeding animals.\*\***

#### Major Lamb & Goat Validation

October 29 @ Pole Barn  
3:30 PM - 6:00PM

#### Major Hog Validation

November 14 @ Pole Barn  
4:00PM - 6:00PM

## Major Livestock Show Entry Forms DUE October 31st

Come by the Extension Office to fill out all entry forms for any Spring Major Livestock Show. Whether you are showing an animal, entering a contest or doing the calf scramble, you must come fill out paperwork and pay for entries! Please bring your Quality Counts # and Social Security # of each individual entering the show. We have all forms, schedules and rules printed at the office.

**Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday  
8AM-NOON & 1:00PM-5:00PM**



## VISIT US AT

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### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:00AM - 12:00PM

1:00PM - 5:00PM

CLOSED FOR LUNCH

### SUMMER HOURS

JUNE THRU AUGUST:

MONDAY-THURSDAY

7:30 AM - 5:30 PM

(OPEN AT LUNCH)

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