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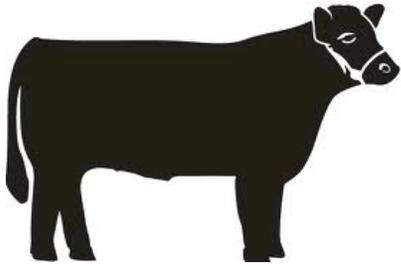
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4-H and FFA Youth Beef Field Day

**Saturday,
March 9, 2013 at
Lewiston Livestock
Market**

9:30 am to 3:00 pm

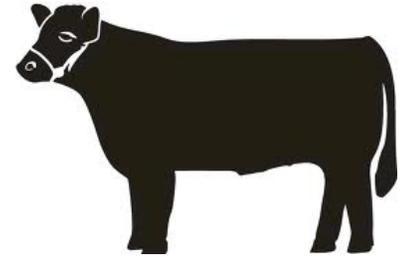


Youth Beef Field Day

March 9, 2013 from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Lewiston Livestock Market

Registration DUE March 1, 2013



Schedule:

- 9 - 9:20 am Registration - (\$6.00 per person*)
- 9:30 am Feeding & Nutrition
- 10:15 - 12:15 pm
Health Care
Cattle Handling Demonstration
Beef Taste Testing Panel
- 12:20 pm Lunch (burgers & pop provided)
- 12:50 pm FSA Rural Youth Loan Program
- 1:10 pm Selection of Project Animals
- 1:45 pm Fitting & Showing Demonstration
- 2:45 pm Wrap Up & Questions

Presenters:

- Dr. Nick Egland, DVM
Lewiston Veterinary Clinic
- John B. Hall, Ph.D., PAS, Professor,
Extension Beef Specialist &
Superintendent UI Nancy M.
Cummings REEC
- Jan Busboom, WSU Professor of
Animal Science
- Michael Colle, UI Dept. of Animal &
Vet Sciences Graduate Student
- FSA Farm Loan Officer
- Mark Heitstuman, WSU/Asotin County
Extension Educator

Beef Field Day Registration

Please send in this portion with your \$6/per person by March 1 to Nez Perce County Extension Office, 1239 Idaho Street, Lewiston, ID 83501 to avoid a \$2/person late fee.

Checks payable to: Nez Perce County Extension

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

County _____

Cost: \$6.00/person to cover lunch & materials
****Scholarships available****

Directions to Lewiston Livestock

Market: Cross bridge from North Lewiston and take the 1st possible left turn—this puts you on E Main. Follow it out all the way to the “Y”, and go right, after which you will need to take an almost immediate left, follow the signs.

Special Thanks to:

Lewiston Livestock Market
 Lewiston Veterinary Clinic

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Questions?

Kerry Sanford, 4-H Program Coordinator
 UI/Nez Perce County (208) 799-3096

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NEW for 2013!
Cattle Handling Workshop
for Leaders & Parents
Pre-registration is required



Why Animal Handling is So Important to BQA

John B. Hall, Ph.D., PAS. University of Idaho Extension Beef Specialist.

Beef Quality Assurance is focused on improving safety, wholesomeness and quality of beef for the consumer. Like all continuous process improvement programs, BQA targets the major barriers or problems, solves them, and then moves to the next important problem. For example, injection site lesions were a big problem at the start of BQA. Now these lesions are rare. Do we need to quit reminding producers - particularly new employees or young family members - about using proper techniques to eliminate injection sites? No, we need to keep it up, but the focus of BQA and our own ranch staff training needs to shift new problems. In recent years, Idaho BQA and National BQA increased efforts in improving animal handling. Why did we do this?

First, bruising was (and is) a major issue for our industry resulting in product loss, increased product toughness, and customer dissatisfaction. Many of those bruises were results of mishandling or poor facilities. For the past three years, Idaho BQA has trained over 1500 producers, cattle haulers, and youth in proper animal handling. Programs such as Stewardship and Stockmanship and Master Cattle Hauler Training were used to train individuals on proper animal handling, its role in BQA, and its impact on product quality. Proper animal handling helps insure a quality product.

Recently, the public has become more concerned about how animals that become food for consumers are handled and raised. The pressure on the pork and poultry industry has changed housing and some management of these species. Consumers are interested in how cattle are raised and handled, too. Low stress animal handling training through BQA is a positive, proactive method to demonstrate the care we have always had for our cattle as well as indicate that we are willing to adopt proven techniques to reduce animal stress. Proper animal handling increases consumer confidence.

As the Riders in the Sky like to say "It may not be the easy way, but it's the cowboy way". There are many instances where the cowboy way is not the easy way, but it is the right way or the right thing to do. Losing sleep during calving season is not easy, but we do it anyway because taking care of calving cows properly is the right thing to do. Learning new ways to handle our cattle or adopting new procedures that cattle cause less stress is the right thing to do.

There are several options for improving animal handling as part of your BQA program.

- Attend a workshop or seminar on low-stress animal handling
- Conduct the BQA Cow-Calf Assessment on your ranch
- Train new workers and family members on low-stress procedures before they begin to work cattle.
- Replace prods and sorting sticks with rattle paddles and flags.

For more information on improving your cattle handling, contact Idaho BQA or your local Extension Educator.

Cattle Handling Workshop
Registration

Please send in this portion with your by March 1 to Nez Perce County Extension Office, 1239 Idaho Street, Lewiston, ID 83501.

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This training provided by John B. Hall, Ph.D, PAD, Professor, Extension Beef Specialist will begin at 1:00pm on Saturday, March 9th at the Lewiston Livestock Market. The training will conclude by 3:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact the Nez Perce County Extension Office at 208-799-3096.