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Special Edition! May 2020 Teresa's Tid Bits.....

Wow! We finally have made it to May!!!! I am keeping my fingers crossed that Governor Little's stages of reopening Idaho get us back to business! I am proud that our 4-H family has shown perseverance to get through this rough spot. I for one never even dreamed that we would be facing such an event.

With all of this happening, I am positive we will hold our fair this year. It may look a little different than in the past, but I am busy making plans to ensure our 4-H members that we will hold our annual event including our livestock sale.

Our office has received several requests for refunds on enrollment. 4-H enrollment fees are not refundable as our program is still moving forward during this unprecedented time. Please be patient as we are moving through this situation and trying to get things back to normal.

At this point in time the Kootenai Extension Office remains closed to the public. All extension staff are working from home, but all of the phones are forwarded so you can still get a hold of us. Watch your email for any update on this situation as it may change before the next newsletter.



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Kootenai/Shoshone County 4-H Program Coordinator



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If you are at home looking for something to do, check out our county Facebook page! There are new activities to do daily. You may even see some fun contests for our county 4-H Family!

COVID-19 Update

As we move forward to begin to get our community back to normal under Governor Little's stages of reopening, I am getting a lot of questions from leaders of how this will apply to 4-H.

The Idaho State 4-H programs first priority is the health of our 4-H members, families, volunteers, and staff. We will follow the stages of reopening as the governor has set. Please be aware, we will follow the recommendations for gatherings. All the reopening stages are only moving forward if the criteria are met on the previous stage.

What does this mean for 4-H in Kootenai County? Here is a simplified timeline of hosting 4-H meetings and events.

· **Stage 1: May 1-May 15** Public and private gatherings should be avoided.

· **Stage 2: May 16-May 29** Both public and private, of less than 10

people, where appropriate physical distancing and precautionary measures are observed can occur.

· **Stage 3: May 30- June 12** Both public and private, of 10-50 people, where appropriate physical distancing and precautionary measures are observed can occur.

· **Stage 4: June 13-June 26** Both public and private, of more than 50 people, where appropriate physical distancing and precautionary measures are observed can occur.

Keep in mind to advance to the next stage, all criteria set by the state must be met. If the criteria indicate trends are beginning to move the wrong direction, or there is evidence that a stage has adversely impacted rates, stages may have to be extended or reversed.

State Teen Association Convention



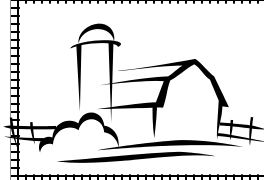
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STAC 2020

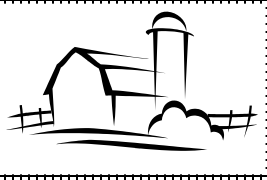
Join the Idaho State Teen Association at

virtual **STAC** this June!

Watch your email for more information!



The Stock Barn



Livestock Leaders Meeting:

Please join us on May 6th at 7 PM for our livestock leaders meeting! This meeting will be by ZOOM only. Follow the link below to log into the meeting.

<https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/93123514207>

Or Call In:

(253) 215- 8782

Meeting ID: 931 2351 4207

2020 North Idaho State Fair Market Animal Requirements

	Beef	Goat	Sheep	Swine
Minimum Weight	1,000 lbs*	65 lbs	110 lbs	230 lbs
Maximum Weight <small>(Capped weight for Stock Sale)</small>	1,500 lbs	110 lbs	160 lbs	300 lbs
Minimum ADG <small>(to qualify for finals)</small>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

** for those members with registered Aberdeen steers, the minimum weight for 75% to pure is 750lbs and for 50% to 74% is 900 lbs.*

Weigh In For Large Animal Market Projects

The initial market weigh in scheduled for each species will be canceled.

At a later date, (TBD) you will be required to attend a “tag day” at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds. Market livestock project animals will be officially tagged for our fair on this date.

Growth Charts will be required for your record book completion. You will receive your growth chart at the “Tag Day” where we will also weigh your animal for you. The growth chart is a valuable tool for your project.

Each 4-H member will be required to enter animal ID information, complete with pictures, on 4HOnline for primary and alternate animals to be used in the market project by the ownership deadline date:

Beef: Deadline has passed

Swine May 17th

Lamb and Goat June 16th.

Each 4-H member must upload all three photos of the market animal. Please keep in mind that these pictures will be used to identify your project animals.

Tag number: Please enter the number on your animal’s current ear tags. Goats and lambs must enter a scrapie ID tag number here. If your animal has no tag in it’s ear type “none” in the tag number field.

Introducing Online Record Books!



Stay Connected With Zoom

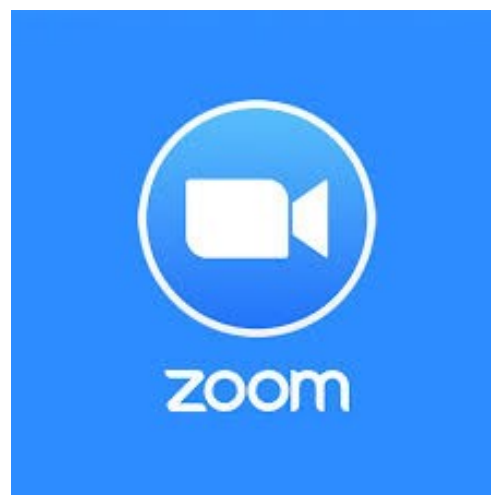
Using ZOOM to host 4-H meetings is very easy! If you would like to host a meeting using ZOOM follow these easy steps:

- Set up a free personal account (for small groups with short meetings)

OR

- Contact Teresa or Sharla with the date, time, length, and topic of your meeting
- Share the link we send you with anyone you want to attend.
- When it is time for your meeting, just click on the link we send you to join!

It's that Easy!



Virtual Office Hours
Tuesday and Thursdays
@ 2PM

We miss you at our office and will be extending an invitation to a zoom session on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 PM. Links to these meetings will be posted on Zsuite on the calendar You can drop into our zoom sessions for a moment or join us for as long as you want. This is an easy way to stay connected!
See you there!



Horse Leaders May 5th at 6 PM

Zoom Only

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/94780707713>



Dog Leaders Meeting

May 11th @ 6 PM

Zoom Only

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/94414439880>



Kootenai/Shoshone Volunteer Association
Meeting

May 21 @ 7 PM

Zoom Only

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/91576211910>

