October

**October 1:** All Hunter Spectacular Baskets and/or money due to CEO
**October 2:** Photo note card, 6pm-7pm, CEO
**October 6-12:** National 4-H Week
**October 8-10:** Club Managers Return Hunter Spectacular Money to CEO
**October 9-20:** Tractor Supply Fundraiser, Temple and Killeen
**October 12:** Hunter Spectacular Decorations/Ambassador Meeting, 9am, EXPO
**October 12:** All Hunter Spectacular Desserts due to EXPO by 12pm, EXPO
**October 14:** Holiday, Office Closed
**October 15:** Texas State Preservation Board Agricultural Photography Contest Deadline, 12:00 am
**October 15:** Consumer Project Meeting, 6pm, CEO
**October 15:** Lamb, Goat, Breeding Lamb & Goat Validation, Bell County Expo, 5:00pm-8:00pm
**October 19:** Clover Kids Club Meeting, 2-4pm
**October 19:** ONE DAY 4-H, 10am-1pm, Temple Mall
**October 20:** Exchange Meeting, 1:30pm, Rogers High School Cafeteria
**October 21:** District Gold Star Banquet, HOT Fair Grounds
**October 22:** County Council Meeting Info

November

**November 1:** 2014 County Broiler Orders Due
**November 1:** Quality Counts Deadline
**November 2:** County Food Show/Food Challenge, 3pm, CTCS
**November 5:** Turkey Pick-up
**November 5-6:** Major Show Livestock Sign Up Deadline
**November 7:** Recordbook Training, 6pm, CEO
**November 8-10:** Junior Leadership Retreat, Brownwood
**November 9-10:** Holiday Classic, EXPO
**November 11:** Office Closed, Holiday
**November 12:** Scholarship Training, 6pm, CEO
**November 13:** Roaster pick-up, 3:30pm-5:30pm, CEO
**November 16:** Clover Kids Meeting, 2pm, CTCS
**November 18:** Swine Validation, 4pm-7pm, EXPO
**November 19:** Consumer Project Meeting, 6pm, CEO
**November 22-23:** Clothing Retreat, 22:6pm; 23:9am, CEO
**November 25:** Swine Validation, 4pm-7pm, EXPO
**November 25:** County Council, 6:30pm, CEO
**November 26:** Consumer Project Meeting, 6pm, CEO
**November 28-29:** Office Closed, Holiday
**November 31:** Pick up items at CEO deadline

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Annual 4-H Enrollment

4-H Enrollment starts **August 15th**!!! All enrollment is done via 4-H Connect this year. You can access 4-H Connect by going to our 4-H website at [http://agrilife.org/bell4h/](http://agrilife.org/bell4h/) and clicking on the 4-H Connect icon.

To maintain the level of programming and opportunities in the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program, an annual participant fee is implemented for each 4-H member (Clover Kids & Adult Volunteers excluded) starting this 2013-2014 4-H year. The participant fee is $20 if enrolled from **August to October 31st**, November 1st the participant fee will increase to $25.

**Please do not worry if you are still pending at the county level once you have enrolled.** The county office will try to keep up as best as we can by approving them at least once a week. As long as you complete your enrollment, you are in the system and good for enrollment and BCYF requirements.

For instructions on how to enroll, please visit: [http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-enrollment-guidelines/4-h-enrollment-information/](http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-enrollment-guidelines/4-h-enrollment-information/)

If you have further questions, please contact the County Extension Office at: 254-933-5305
Fun for the Whole Family!

We need your help! Each year, the Bell County 4-H hosts fundraisers to help with the costs of supporting our youth.

Our event is called the Hunter’s Spectacular and will be held **October 12, 2013** at the Bell County Expo Center. We will have lots of fun things for the whole family at the event including a meal, silent auction, live auction, vendors, and even have games. We will also have a drawing for 20 guns, binoculars, hunting equipment, t-shirts for sale and lots of other fun prizes. For the young people, we have games and activities and even a cake walk. A live auction of outdoor items will take place that evening as well as a silent auction with the hunter in mind.

*We need our 4-H members to sell tickets to the event.* Your club manager will be asking each of you to participate and we want you to know that we utilize the funds raised for the total Bell County 4-H program…..which includes you! We are able to help offset the costs of many events, camps, livestock supplies, workshops, contests, and leadership activities through these funds. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call the Extension Office and visit with Micah about the event. All your tickets should be turned in to your club manager before October 1st. **Club managers will have to turn in tickets on October 1st. (Tickets are available through your club manager starting August 12th.)**
TEXAS STATE PRESERVATION BOARD
AGRICULTURE PHOTOGRAPHY
CONTEST FOR

STATE PRESERVATION BOARD

Enter On-Line: September 1, 2013 to October 15, 2013 @
texas4-h.tamu.edu

Recordbooks

Have you ever thought about doing a recordbook? A recordbook is good for those who want to keep records of their 4-H career, win awards for resumes, or help you with filling out your scholarship applications. All seniors who complete a recordbook say that it helped them with filling out their scholarship applications a lot. We have even helped create a format that ties directly to the 4-H Foundation Scholarship Form. How easy is that!!!

Recordbooks are getting easier to fill out and complete these days! If you would like to learn about how to complete a recordbook, the Bell County 4-H will be hosting 2 workshops this year to help you do a recordbook. The first workshop will help with how to start a recordbook and how to record effective information for recordbooks and will be in October and the second workshop will be in April and will be the second part which is how to fill out the forms and do tables and what to actually do to fill out the recordbook.

If you are interested, please attend the first recordbook training on: November 7, 2013 at 6-8pm in the CEO.

We had a great year for recordbooks this year!
Congratulations on the following STATE recordbook winners!

Nathaniel Fasolino - Consumer
4-H Clover Kids Club

Bell County 4-H is happy to announce that starting this September we will be starting a 4-H Clover Kids Club. This group will be focused on the 5-8 years old (Kindergarten to 2nd grade) and preparing them for their adventure as a 4-H'er. See the programs and dates for each meeting below. Cost to be in the Clover Kids Club will be $20 but will cover all the materials for the year which include many take home projects! Parents are encouraged to attend with their children to each of the meetings but are not required to stay with them. Club Manager will be Dawn Brown and the Bell County 4-H Ambassadors and County Council Officers will be assisting each meeting to help with activities! The time of each meeting will be 2-4pm except for the Clover Kid Fair, Clover Kid Camp, and Summer Meetings which may change in times. The location is still being approved and we will have a definite location for you in the September newsletter and family handbook!

To be a Clover Kid for the new year, you must still enroll on 4-H Connect. The cost is free to enroll. Clover Kids can be in more than just Clover Kid Club. They are welcome to be in another club as well and participate with them.

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Graduating Seniors

It is that time again for graduating seniors to start applying for college and filling out scholarships! Seniors need to apply for their colleges/universities NOW!!! Acceptance for some schools will come as early as November. It is better on a scholarship to have been accepted already to a school. So apply NOW for school!!!

Scholarships are also starting to come open and ready for applications. Make sure and watch the newsletter and the Bell County 4-H Website for those scholarship application deadlines. It is always being updated with new scholarships and deadlines.

If you are interested in learning about scholarships available through 4-H or how to apply for a scholarship, you can attend the scholarship training, which will be held at the County Extension Office Board Room on November 12th, 2013 at 6pm. This training will be invaluable to learn about what scholarship donors look for in scholarships, how to write an effective essay, or how to fill out effective information on your scholarship application.

CELEBRATE!!!
National 4-H Week is October 6-12!

Items in CEO

There are many items/awards in the office that need to be picked up! Please make sure and pick them up by October 31st or they will be discarded. Items include: Photo Contest ribbons and scoresheets, Club Managers gifts for banquet, Medals and Pins from 4-H Banquet, etc. Rhettlee has them in the office, so you can pick them up from her!
Bell County 4-H Council
2013-2014 Information

Council Meetings

Purpose of County Council - The purpose of County Council is for 4-H members from each club to come and share what they are doing in their club and get ideas from other clubs on activities and help plan county wide activities.

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**Family and Consumer Sciences Projects!**

The District 8 4-H Food Challenge is a unique opportunity to participate in an innovative food and nutrition competition. The 4-H Food Challenge, similar to the popular television show Iron Chef, brings fun, learning, application of knowledge and skills, and group competition together at one event. At your table, they will have all the ingredients and amounts on the table and no directions! You are to come up with a dish with what ingredients you have on the table! In preparation for the Food Challenge, participants should not limit themselves to studying only the resources provided at the contest. All resources are available on the website below.

If you are interested in having a team, or as a senior, compete in the food show, the information about the project, manual and entry forms will be available on the Bell County 4-H Website at: [http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/food-and-nutrition-project/](http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/food-and-nutrition-project/)

**County Food Show is November 2, 2013** at CTCS from 9am-1pm. An email will be sent out with details once you register. Entry forms are due **October 25, 2013** by 5pm in the CEO.

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**Consumer Decision Making**

Consumer Decision Making is a great way to learn how to shop better! The Consumer project’s first meeting will be held **October 15**, at 6pm, at the Extension Office Meeting Room! Make sure and come and learn all about the project and what it has to offer. We will hopefully be discussing the new classes for this year and preparing for the project!

Dates for consumer are as follows: (Dates set already due to full meeting room schedule and availability)

- **October 15 and 29, November 19 and 26, December 17, Jan. 28**: Consumer Project Meetings, 6pm, CEO
- **January 8-14**: National Consumer Contest, Denver, CO
- **February 13**: County Consumer Contest
- **February 15**: Consumer– San Antonio
- **March 1**: District Consumer– Waco

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**Clothing and Textiles:**

- Clothing Retreat- **November 22**: 6pm, **November 23**: 9am, CEO
- Clover Kid Club Meeting (Program: Clothing)- **February 15**: 2pm, CTCS
- Storyboard Workshop- **February 22**: CEO
- County Fashion Show- **March 29**: in conjunction with County Roundup, Belton Methodist Church
- District Fashion Show- Either **April 4th or 11th**
- **Summer 2013**: Clothing Blast
The Fall 2013 TSC Paper Clover Campaign is scheduled **October 9-20, 2013**. The clovers are only $1 and we received over $1,978 this year from the last clover campaign. We really need clubs to help participate and pick a day to stand outside and sell the paper clovers. If your club is interested, please email Barbara Wood [woodbtwice@gmail.com](mailto:woodbtwice@gmail.com) and sign up for a day to help! We have 2 stores in Bell County, Killeen and Temple. Please sign up and help! Funds help the county pay for workshops, camps & many other great opportunities for you as a member!

**BCYF RULES**

Below are the new changes regarding BCYF. Please make sure you have a sign in sheet at each meeting and announce to all members to sign in before, during, and after the meeting.

- The BCYF has a NEW website in which everything will be posted including the new fair book, entry forms, superintendent’s names and phone numbers, score sheets, and other information: [http://agrilife.org/bellctyyouthfair/](http://agrilife.org/bellctyyouthfair/)

- You MUST attend 2 meetings to participate in the BCYF. You MUST sign in on the sign in sheets for it to count.

- 2 meetings will be allowed from **August to December** this year. No meetings will be allowed in January to use for the 2 meeting rule.

- All 4-H members MUST be enrolled by **December 10th** to participate in the BCYF. However, the fee will go up after October 31st so do it quickly.

- Homeschool Eligibility deadline: **January 17, 2013**. All Homeschool students must fill out an eligibility form and turn it in by the above deadline. Forms are not available until **January 1st**
T-shirt Sales!!

Set your “sights” on Bell County 4-H with the NEW Bell County 4-H T-shirt! We have the “Mossy Oak” look, Neon Orange shirt, and the black hoodies! Order forms can be found on the website, at the CEO, or at the back of the newsletter. Please get your order in NOW to reserve a shirt! Some sizes and orders will be ready for pick up at the Hunter’s Spectacular! (Youth Sizes will not be available at the Hunter’s Spectacular). [http://agrilife.org/bell4h/bell-county-4-h-t-shirts](http://agrilife.org/bell4h/bell-county-4-h-t-shirts) Money and Order Forms can be given to the County Extension Office, can be collected from Club Managers (if they are collecting it), and can be collected at the Hunter’s Spectacular.

**ATTENTION CLUB MANAGERS AND LEADERS!!**

Below are deadlines and important information for Club Managers and Leaders!

**Hunter’s Spectacular**—

- Remember ALL HS Tickets are due to the CEO by **October 8th-10th**. Please make an appointment with Rhettlee to come in and deliver tickets.
- We need each club to provide 2 themed baskets for the silent auction. These baskets need to have a value of no less than $100.00 each. Items need to be put into a basket and delivered to the office on or before **October 1st**.
- The Cake Walk committee is asking **ALL** clubs to donate dessert for the cake walk. These items can be whole 9X13 cakes, pies, or 1 dozen of kolaches, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc. The minimum amount of desserts for the club will be 20-30. **All desserts will need to be delivered to the Expo Assembly Hall between 9-12pm on Saturday, October 12th. (no desserts accepted after 12:00pm).**

**MAB**—

- The Membership Advisory Board is for all Club Managers and Leaders who help plan and make decisions for the Bell County 4-H Program. ALL leaders are welcome to come! 3 voting delegates are chosen from each club to vote. **The next meeting will be October 22, 2013, at 6:30pm, at the CEO.** If you have anything to put on the agenda, please get it to Jan Ramthun, MAB President, by **October 7th**.
Bell County 4-H October Newsletter

**Lamb, Goat, Breeding Sheep & Goats Validation**

4-H members who plan to show market lambs or market goats in 2014 must validate these animals.

Lamb and goat validation for Bell County exhibitors will be held **October 15th and 28th** at the Bell County Expo Center. Exhibitors who plan to show in San Angelo in 2013 must have a Texas Bred Lamb. You must have your Texas Lamb Breeders Tag with you at validation, or the sheep will not be eligible for San Angelo.

**October 15th**—Academy FFA; Bartlett FFA; Belton FFA; Temple FFA; Tigertown 4-H; & Stampede Creek 4-H; Killeen 4-H/FFA; Harker Heights FFA; Maxdale 4-H; Salado 4-H/FFA; Ellison FFA; Shoemaker FFA; Trimmier 4-H

**October 28th**—Bell 4-H Horse; 4-His Glory 4-H; Holland 4-H/FFA; Rogers 4-H/FFA; Troy FFA/4-H; Oenaville 4-H

Validation Time for the above dates is: **5:00 to 8:00 p.m. each night**

Cost: $12.00 for each State animal and $5.00 for each County animal, (If you validate for State it covers BCYF also)

All Breeding Sheep & Breeding Goats Must be Validated

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**2014 County Broilers**

Deadline for ordering Broilers for the Bell County Youth Fair is **November 1, 2013**. The maximum order allowed per exhibitor is 50 birds and the cost is $42.00 per order of 25 birds. The birds will arrive on **December 18, 2013** and can be picked up between 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.

**BCYF COUNTY ROASTER ORDERS**

Deadline for ordering Roasters for the Bell County Youth Fair is **Wednesday, October 2, 2013**. The maximum order allowed per exhibitor is 25 birds and the cost is $42.00 per order of 25 birds. The birds will arrive on **November 13, 2013** and can be picked up between 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.
4-H Livestock Projects

Anyone needing assistance in selecting or securing livestock projects please contact Lyle Zoeller by calling the County Extension Office.

(254)-933-5305

Major Livestock Show Sign-Up

The 2013 Major Show (Ft. Worth; San Antonio; San Angelo; Star of Texas; Houston) season is not far off and sign-up dates have been set. We will only have 2 days for sign-up; **Tuesday, November 5th & Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at the Extension Office in Belton.** Both nights sign-up time will be from **4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.** These are the only two nights and times we will accept entries. Forms may be picked up in late October from the Extension Office, but can only be turned in on one of the nights listed above. Questions? Call Randall or Pam @ 254-933-5305. 4-H members must obtain Quality Counts verification online before being allowed to enter major shows!

Quality Counts verification will be required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including the Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O’ Texas Fair in Waco). The verification process will require junior exhibitors to pass an online test that measures their knowledge on quality assurance and character education content items.

Youth are able to go online now, participate in the online training, take the test and become verified. A verification number will need to be provided at the time of making an official entry into a Texas major livestock show. Thus, youth will need to have completed and passed the test before the major livestock show’s entry deadline on **November 1st.** A passing score has been determined to be 80%. Once you move from Junior to Senior, you must retake the test. Those who are not moving up, Pam has your numbers if you have lost them.

**To learn more about Quality Counts including the verification process, please visit:** [http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/](http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/).

**Bell County 4-H members will not be allowed to enter major shows unless they have completed this by November 1st.**
Turkey Pick-Up

Turkey’s will be available for pick up on **November 5th**. Please call Pam at the County Extension Office (254)-933-5305 on this day after 3:00pm for the pick up time.

Swine Validation

All Breeding Gilts Must Be Validated

All pigs for the Bell County Youth Fair and major livestock shows must be validated on one of the nights below. We need all parents to be there to sign forms and to draw a map where animals are being kept. If a parent cannot be there, a parental waiver form must be signed before validation.

**Validation: 4-7pm at the Expo**

**NOV. 18th** — ACADEMY 4H/FFA, BARTLETT FFA, HOLLAND 4H/FFA, 4-HIS GLORY, SALADO 4H/FFA, STAMPEDE CREEK

**NOV. 19th** — BELTON FFA, TIGERTOWN 4H, TEMPLE FFA, TROY FFA, OENAVILLE 4H.

**NOV. 25th** — ROGERS 4H/FFA, KILLEEN 4H/FFA, MAXDALE 4H, TRIMMIER 4H, ELLISON FFA, HARKER HEIGHTS FFA, SHOEMAKER FFA

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**Holiday Classic**

The Holiday Classic will be **November 9-10, 2013 at the Bell County Expo**. The Holiday Classic is for Livestock Exhibitors and Families and is open to all interested youth in 4-H and FFA. Youth must attend Saturday clinics to participate in Sunday showmanship and prospect shows. Arrive with animals by noon on **November 9th**. No preregistration required. The Holiday Classic Clinics and Prospect Shows are intended to provide an educational opportunity for new families (4-H & FFA) participating in the livestock project area. The main purpose is to teach the basic principles of livestock management as they relate to facility maintenance, selection, nutrition, animal health, handling, showmanship, and transportation. “Quality Counts” programs are discussed to ensure the safe and legal use of drugs or medications to facilitate the ethical care, development, and exhibition of livestock. For more information please contact the CEO at 254-933-5305.
County Photo Contest

Congratulations to those 4-H members who advanced to district with their photos!!! See below of all the those who advanced!

Congratulations to our Best of Show Overall, Emma Coffman, Theme!!!!!!
The 5th Annual Cowboy Christmas Ball featuring Michael Martin Murphey will be held on **Saturday, December 14th, 2013, at the Bell County Expo Center.** Our guest of honor, Michael Martin Murphey, the “Singing Cowboy Poet”, will be performing on stage starting at 8pm and doors open at 7:00pm. Murphey is famous for his single “Wildfire” and many more.

All proceeds from the Ball will benefit the Bell County Youth Fair & Livestock Show and PRCA Rodeo Scholarship Fund. This is given out every year to high achieving Bell County youth as they attend and maintain the high standards of education at their college/university of choice. Last year we awarded over $38,000 in scholarships to 10 graduating seniors.

Heavy appetizers will be served and guests are encouraged to dress in formal western wear to keep in tradition and keep with the atmosphere. A silent auction will also be held during the evening and will include western art, hunting trips and western heritage-based items.

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**PHOTOGRAPHY NOTECARD PROJECT TO BENEFIT 4-H!**

**WHO?** You! Photographers AND non-photographers, all ages  
**WHAT?** Making photo notecard sets to sell at Hunter's Spectacular  
**WHEN?** Wednesday, **Oct 2nd**, 6-7 p.m.  
**WHERE?** CEO  
**WHY?** To raise money to support Bell County 4-H activities

Join us on Oct 2nd in constructing photo notecard sets to sell at Hunter's Spectacular. This event is the only fundraiser Bell County 4-H has and funds generated are used to support 4-H activities.

The photo note cards will be bundled into sets and each set will have a theme. **We are currently looking for Christmas themed photos.** Do you have a beautiful winter landscape photo? A Christmas themed still life shot? If so, please forward a digital copy to Mrs. Coffman so she can print out copies to use on the cards. **Other themes will include wildlife/birds, flowers, butterflies, and Texas themed.** If you have any quality photos that fall into any of these categories, feel free to send them in for inclusion in the project.

This project will count as a county-level community service. Time spent will be one hour. Number of people served is XXX (insert number of Bell County 4-Hers here). Impact is the total dollar amount generated from the event to benefit 4-H (total to be announced after all revenue has been tallied). This can also be annotated under the photography project. Skills learned: Photography mounting techniques; Identifying photography themes; Generating income through photography.

Send photos to: [familycoffman@aol.com](mailto:familycoffman@aol.com) at highest resolution available. We hope to see you on **October 2nd**!
CELEBRATE MY DRIVE - TEEN SAFE DRIVING EVENT

OCTOBER 19TH 2013
10AM-1PM
TEMPLE MALL

Fun Activities and giveaways to teach Safe driving for teens!

Register your school here!

PRIZES

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2nd: 90 25,000 Granite
3rd: 2 $1000 Conoco

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TEEN 4-H LIFE EXTENSION

Are you committed
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CELEBRATE MY DRIVE® powered by State Farm® brings together the entire community to help recognize and promote the positives of safe choices behind the wheel.

If your high school is not yet registered, visit celebratemydrive.com and search for your school and enter a school administrator's email to register.

Once your high school is registered, be sure to make your daily safe driving commitment the week before October 19th. The more commitments made on behalf of your school, the better your chances of winning.

2013
Junior Leadership Retreat
November 8-10
Texas 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood

- 4-H State Council Members lead hands on educational workshops
- 4-H members age 9-14
- Dancing, games & lots of FUN!

To register visit the 4-H Center website: texas4hcenter.tamu.edu
Click on the "Register Now" link.
$115 for youth & $80 for adults

Each county is responsible for providing adult chaperones.
December 13-15, 2013

The Re-Fashion Retreat features educational sessions conducted by the Texas 4-H Clothing & Textiles youth advisory board member, fashion industry leaders and extension staff. They will be conducting hands-on educational workshops. This new program will focus on increasing your knowledge and skills in the “Trashion Show” and a refashioning project. Don’t miss out on a weekend full of fun and exciting activities.

Re-Fashion Retreat

Texas 4-H

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4H Hunter Safety Camp

- Rifle
- Skills Trail
- Muzzleloader
- Wilderness Survival/1st Aid
- Archery
- Wildlife ID
- Shotgun
- Pistol & More!

WHEN
October 18th – 20th, 2013
Arrive: Friday 7:30pm
Depart: Sunday 3:00pm

WHERE
Game Warden Training Center
4363 FM 1047 Hamilton, TX 76531

Who: 4-H members age 12 and up
Cost: $45
To Register: Contact Nick Gonzales, 4-H Ext. Agent at nigonzales@ag.tamu.edu or 325-646-0386.
For Questions: Contact SS Committee Chairman Cheyenne Gordon, at shy.ann.gordon@gmail.com or 325-203-1172
Check out the YouTube video! “D7 4-H Hunter Safety Camp at GWTC”

Registration Deadline: 4:00pm Sept. 30th
Only 30 spots available so sign up now!!!
American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.

District IV Judges Conference - Double Open/Youth Show

Co-Sponsored by Mid-Tex Rabbit Breeders and Bell County 4-H

We are hosting a unique learning opportunity for Extension Agents, FFA instructors, Rabbit Project Leaders and exhibitors. ARBA judges conferences are open to the public and designed in providing the participants the same information judges receive in the selection and placing of rabbits at the shows. There will be several state specialty club in attendance who can provide additional information to answer additional questions about various breeds of rabbits. This will be an excellent opportunity to make contact with breeders who will be in attendance.

Topics to be covered

Handling and posing, Meat pen Selection

Breeds Covered

California, New Zealand, Netherland Dwarf, Holland Lop, Satins, Mini Satins, Mini Rex and others to be announced

Double Youth / Double Open Show—Sponsored by Mid-Tex RBA

Judges/Speakers: Todd Naragon (Huntington, IN), Scott Rodriguez (Cheyenne, WY), Leann McKinney (Monticello, IN), Cheryl Blackman (Navasota, TX) and Frank Farrow (Lufkin, TX). Loyd Morgan Jr (Temple, TX), Amy Merslovsky (Belton, TX)

This will be a late entry show

There will also be several specialty club shows (Californians, Angoras and several others to be announced)

Equipment dealers will be there to meet all your equipment needs for a successful rabbit project.

Purina representatives will be there to answer your feed and feeding questions

For more info:

Donald Merslovsky, ARBA Director
1560 Elm Grove Spur
Belton, Texas 76513
Phone: (254) 721-5992
Email: lrsports@hotmail.com

Lyle Zeiller, Extension Agent
1625 N Main St, Ste 102
Belton, Texas 76513
Phone: (254) 933-5305
Email: l-zeiller@tamu.edu

Helping the Youth of Bell and Surrounding counties in raising better rabbits
Bell County 4-H Exchange

This is your LAST opportunity to sign up for Bell County 4-H Exchange. If you are interested or would like to know a little more about it please come to the next meeting on **October 20th** at 1:30p.m. at the Rogers High School Cafeteria. See you there!

http://agrilife.org/bell4h/

Bell County Extension
1605 N. Main, Room 102
Belton, TX 76513
Phone: 254.933.5305
FAX: 254.933.5312

Micah Holcombe
County Extension Agent
4-H and Youth Development

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S.
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