

## Broken Bit 4-H Club Plans Open Horse Show

The Broken Bit 4-H Horse and Pony Club held its May meeting at the home of Karin Risser, Stevens. Before the meeting a demonstration was given by Karin Risser on "Grooming and Showing a Horse."

The Club then held a business meeting. President Natalie Immel called the meeting to order and lead the 4-H Club Pledge. The secretary and treasurer's reports were given and approved.

Three new members joined the Club. They are Russel and Richard Updike, and Glenn Shenk.

The membership sheets were filled out for this year. A report was given on the successful Competitive Trail Ride the Club held on April 30.

The Club will have a gymkhana on July 9, where the grooming and showmanship eliminations for the Lancaster County 4-H Horse Roundup will be held.

June 17 at 5 p.m. the Club will hold an Open Horse Show at the Lancaster Riding Club. There will be 18 classes in the show, including English and Western pleasure, equitation, races, etc. Anyone wishing more information call 733-2605 or 626-5864.

The next meeting will be at the home of Cindy Enck, Stevens, on June 16. Anyone is invited to attend.

News Reporter,  
Martha Gregory

## Date Set for Farmers to Certify Set-Aside Acreages

All 1972 wheat and feed grain set-aside program participants are requested to designate the location of set-aside acreage on their farms by June 15, 1972, according to Fred G. Seldomridge, chairman of Lancaster County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee (ASC).

Set-aside program participants are also required to certify acreage of wheat, corn, grain sorghum, and barley being produced in 1972. Program rules have changed to allow participants to estimate the acreage

of crops not planted on the date of certification. However, acreages reported should be as accurate as possible, the chairman added.

Most program participants have copies of aerial photography showing their farm and fields. These photo copies have been supplied by ASCS and have the acreage for each field listed in most instances. Participants can improve accuracy of set-aside certification by marking the set-aside area on their photocopy and taking it to the ASCS office with them when certifying set-aside and crop acreages.

County chairman Seldomridge says farmers should stop at the ASCS office as soon as possible and report their acreage even though they are not through planting. It is necessary to report acreage now so that program payments may be made in July and August of 1972.

Again, the final date for set-aside program participants to report acres is June 15.

The Lancaster County ASCS office is located at the Farm & Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, telephone number is 397-6235.

## Egg Promotion, Production Discussed at Poultry Meet

Membership in the Lancaster County Poultry Association rose to 242 members this month, which is 72 more than last year. This is the highest membership has been in the past six or seven years, according to a report read at an Association board of directors meeting this week at the Farm and Home Center, Lancaster.

Other topics discussed were the Association's annual banquet and the Poultry Queen contest.

Promoting eggs to consumers was the topic that took the largest share of the evening's discussion. Egg prices ran a close second.

President Vernon Leininger said that he felt the biggest problem in promoting eggs was combating the influence groups bent on getting eggs out of the public's eating habits. Leininger said that associations and even doctors are too often guilty of disseminating slanted news and misinformed opinion.

According to Harold Esbenschade, promotion isn't the real problem. If producers are successful in getting people to eat more eggs, then poultrymen will

only produce more and eventually over-produce. Price erosion would inevitably result, Esbenschade said, and he feels that more work should be done to limit production.

Another board member pointed

out that a one per cent increase or decrease in production means a corresponding five per cent price increase or decrease. It's very difficult, he noted, to regulate the poultry industry to within one per cent.



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